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Government support falls by 5%

Public support for the Government dropped over the past week, with 38 per cent of respondents in a new Mori, opinion poll for The Economist saying they would vote Conservative at a general election, as against 42 per cent last week. The poll taken on Tuesday and Wednesday after the sinking of the General Belgrano and as the news of the HMS Sheffield's destruction became known, showed support for the Liberal/SDP Alliance at 29 per cent and Labour support at 32 per cent

World Cup boycott call

Scotland's football players' union have called for a World Cup boycott because of the participation of Argentina English players have rejected the idea as being 'far too premature' Page19

Filibuster risk to Ulster Bill

Senior ministers seem to accept the possibility that the Government's Northern Ireland Bill might be filibus-tered into the ground by hardline Commons opponents when it goes into its committee stage on the floor of

Reagan clears budget hurdle

President Reagan cleared the first important hurdle in his second drive to achieve a budget compromise by mobilizing Senate Republicans behind a new 1983 federal spending packag approved by the budget committee Page 6

A-plant setback Construction of the Bilbao nuclear power plant has been halted again when employees walked off the site after the killing of the chief engineer by ETA Page 7

£3m Labour plea

Document order airport landing charges

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Monopoly trial

Thomson Newspapers and Southam Inc, Canada's largest newspaper chains, are to stand trial on monopoly charges arising from the closure of the Ottawa Journal and the Winaj-peg Tribune

Poll results

Full details of yesterday's local government election results will appear in The Times tomorrow together with an analysis by Mr Ivor Crewe, project director of British Election Studies at the University of Essex

'French' Proms

This year's Proms season opening on July 16, has a distinct French theme to its 57 concerts. Ticket prices are up, but a BBC-British Rail scheme offers substantial saving on fares for concergo-ers Pages 12 and 13.

Preview

On Sunday, 18,000 runners will set off from Greenwich Park to Westminster Bridge. The London Marathon was established last year as one of the capital's great sporting occasions, and today's Preview, the 16-page arts and entertainments guide published each Friday with The Times, contains a detailed map of the course.

Leader page, 11 Letters: On the Falklands, from Mr Peter Vis., and others; circus animals, from Mr A. C. W. Hart. Leading articles: The Fal-klands; Italy; International Monetary Fund

Features, page 10 Why Mrs Thatcher must bend a little on the Falklands, by David Watt; the Pope, Cath-olics and contraception; fuelling the petrol lead debate. Obituary, page 12 Sir Ian Hill, Mr Geoffrey Roberts.

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Two more Harriers reported lost in Falklands zone

Harrier fighter-bombers were lost yes-terday in the Faikland exclusion zone and their pilots missing, presumed dead. There were rumours of an "accident" on the aircraft carrier Hermes, while the Ministry of Defence refused to discuss any further task

force casualties. Peru's ceasefire plan, which won officers and men are presumed dead Britain's provisional agreement, coland 24 injured in the HMS Sheffield lapsed when Argentina refused to disaster.

O. Two of the British task force's Sea consider any withdrawal of its troops Harrier fighter-bombers were lost yes from the Faiklands.

United Nations peace efforts were still meeting obstacles, and there was growing concern in the American State Department that the crisis will badly damage Washington's Long-term interests in Latin America.

The Ministry of Defence said 20 officers and men are presumed dead

Sheffield toll put at 20

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent

Two Sea Harrier aircraft from the British task force were reported to have been lost inside the Falklands exclusion zone last night.

exclusion zone last night.

The report came shortly after the Ministry of Defence had refused to discuss any further—casualties—operational or accidental, involving the task force.

There had been persistent rumours—in London, Washington—and Buenos Aires about an "accident" on HMS Hermes, one of the two task force carriers, which is

task force carriers, which is serving as flagship for Rear-Admiral John Woodward. The ministry spokesman, Mr Ian McDonald, said at a briefing last night that there had been further operations reported in the South Atlantic, He refused, significantly,
to answer several questions
about an "accident" on Hermes however, confirming only that the ship was still in

action.

The two pilots of the Harriers were said last night to be missing, presumed dead, and their next of kin had been informed.

The loss of two aircraft

to 17. The reports, however, still awaited official confirnation last night.

Twenty officers and men

Unions will be asked to contribute f3m to the Labour Party for the next general election and also to help to reduce the party's overdrait.

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Street ambush'
The police are treating seriously reports that private contractors were ambushed and attacked while collecting rubbish during a dustmans strike in Wandsworth, south London

London

Twenty officers and men are "presumed dead" after the disaster in the South Atlantic on Tuesday when the destroyer HMS Sheffield was strick by an Argentine missile and caught fire.

A further 24 sustained injuries and are receiving medical treatment. Only one of these is on the list of "seriously ill", the Ministry of Defence anounced last night. The other 242 members of the crew are all well, according to Mr Ian Macdonald; the ministry spokesman, and have been trans-

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Mr Macdonald made it clear that there had been no reports of further action involving the task force. .Patrols to enforce the total exclusion zone around the Falkland Islands were con-

tinuing.

Mr Macdonald pointedly refused to answer questions about an "accident" involving HMS Hermes, the task force's flagship.

The Hermes, he said, was still in action. "But I aminor able to go into details of

whether or not there has been any accident." had been informed.

The loss of two aircraft about the failure of HMS brings down the total number Sheffield's advanced radar with the task force from 20 and air defence missiles to was generally recognized that sea slimming missiles were among the most difficult to counter. Plans were in hand to improve the Seawolf and missile missile which is now fitted to only two of the warships known to be with the task force

Mr John Nott; the Defence Secretary, said that he was giving high priority, to Sea-wolf in the defence programme.

The casualty list: Deceased: Petty Officer (Marine Engineering Mechanical) David Briggs, aged 25, of

shead, Tyne and Wear; Petty Officer Cook Robert Fagan, 34, of Stubbington; Acting Chief Weapons Engineering Mechanic Michael Till, 35, of Stubbington; Weapons Electric Artificer 1 Kevin Sullivan, 35, of Portchester, Hampshire; Weapons Engineering Mechanic 2 Barry Wallis, 20, of Portchaster; Cook Neil Goodall, 20, of Enfield; Leading Cook Tony Marshall, 31, of Gosport, Cook; Andrew Swallow, 18, of Bembridge, Isle of Wight; Weapons Electrical Artificer, 1 Anthony Eggington, 35, of

1 Anthony Eggington, 35, of Purbrook, Hants; Petty Offic-er Weapons Engineering Mechanic (Madio) Anthony Eggington, 35, of Purbrook, Hants; Petty Officer Weapons Engineering Mechanic

Engineering Mechanic (Madio): Anthony Norman, 25, of Gosport; Leading Maring Engineering Mechanic (Mechanics) Allan Knowles, 31, of Gosport; Cook David Osborne, 22, of Portsmouth; Leading Cook Adrian Wellstead, 26, of Portsmouth; Catering Assistant Darryl Cope, 21, of ant Dairyl Cope, 21, of Stourport; Lai Chi Keung, 31, of Hongkong; Cook Kevin Williams, 20, of Gosport.

ver press and broadcast coverage of the Falklands action. Mrs Thatcher com-plained in the Commons that she had heard from people who watched and listened more than she did that the Argentine and British forces were "almost being treated as equals"...

Prime claimed that "many people" were concerned that the case for British troops was not being put over fully and effectively. It later emerged in White-

man, and have been transpersed to other ships in the task force. All next of kin have been informed.

The commander John Woodhead, of State for Defence, and task force. All next of kin any have been informed.

The commander David Ballomping of the companies over what they Lord Cockfield, Minister of law been informed:
State at the Treasury, has been ordered by a High Court judge the news media to "respect the grief and privacy of all of Havant; Master at Arms and press coverage.

Task force. All next of kin 40, of Stubbington; Lieuten-senior others and many of many of many of they complaints ever what they four, 37, of Hindhead; Sub-saw as the surfeit of arm-charment papers on British the families involved."

The spokesman appealed to four, 37, of Hindhead; Sub-saw as the surfeit of arm-charment papers on British the families involved. Brian Welsh, 34, of Gate-Parliamentary report, page 4



Junta stands by its terms

From Christopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, May 6

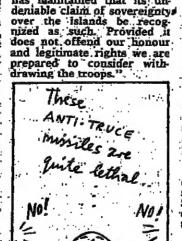
withdraws, said: "Argentina has maintained that its un-

Argentina was last night under which troops would be standing by the main elements of its preconditions for a negotiated settlement of the Falklands crisis. Despite the flurry of diplomatic activity, the feeling in Buenos Aires was that a breakthrough was not immi-nent.

The Government said it could not accept the with-drawal of troops from the islands as a precondition for negotiations and insisted that it would not enter talks until hostilities ended and inter-national sanctions were

For the first time since the crisis began a Cabinet Minis-ter was authorized by the junta today to outline the Government's position at a press conference. Senor Amadeo Frugoli, the Defence Minister (who as a

civilian ranks as a compara-tively junior member of the administration), when asked to state the circumstances



He sidestepped questions about whether sovereignty
was negotiable, stating:
"Mediation under the good
offices of the United Nations
Secretary-General has not yet started and it would not be the correct time or place to suggest what would be the terms under which such a measure could take place."

That response, according to the Foreign Ministry, should not be interpreted as a softening of Argentina's repeated insistence that it would negotiate everything but sovereignty.

Senor Frugoli emphatically denied that Argentina had sought military aid from the Soviet Union or anybody else, but did not rule it out in the future.

There were repeated rumours today that the British aircraft carrier Hermes had come under attack, but Senor Frugoli said mere-ly that information would be eased in due course.



as on defensive

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, May 6

from a tight corner and, at negable other ships in the the same time, limit the task force could be to similar damage which the crisis attacks. threatens to cause to American interests in Latin Ameri-

ca and Europe.

There is real concern in State Department circles that the United States could emerge from the Falklands dispute in worse diplomatic shape than either Britian of Argentina. Its relations with Latin America have been severely damaged already as result of its decision to side with Britain. There is now a danger that it could find itself on the side of the "loser" unless a dilomatic compromise can be found.

President Reagan, answering questions during a brief impromru press conference at the White House today, did not comment on the latest attempts to find a peaceful solution. However, he told a questioner that he did not see a danger that the Falkland Islands conflict could grow into a wider war involving the United States and the

Soviet Union.

He said the United Stated remained dedicated to a peaceful, negotiated settlement, based on Security Council resolution number 502. American officals emphasized that this resolution called both for a ceasefire and A withdrawal of Argentine forces. "The two principles of a ceasefire and a withdrawal have to be linked in accordance with resolution 502," a Sate Department spokesman said today.

Britain has been put on the defensive, both militarily and diplomatically, as a result of the sinking of the Argentine criuser General Belgrano and the attack on the British destroyer HMS Sheffield in the battle over the Falkland Islands in the view of American officials.

The officials are now urgently trying to devise a diplomatic formula which will help to extricate Britain from a tight corner and, at

The Sheffield incident also has dispelled the widery held view here that the Argentines would be either unwilling of unable to put up effective resistance to the British if fighting started.
"Mrs Thatcher must now

make some tough and painful choices," one source com-mented. Either she could go for an all-out military vic-tory, which would be terribly bloody and would cause the further loss of world sym-pathy, or she could seek a diplomatic solution. How-ever, the Argentines, having blooded the British nose, seem in no mood to compromize on their insistence that Agentine sovereignty over the Falklands should be assured.

There are already indications that Britain, in its search for a compromise, is prepared to soften its pos-ition about the need for the 1,800 islanders to be able to determine their own future. Last week British spokesmen were insisting that the wishes of the islanders should be "paramount". Now, however, they are simply saying that a solution should include "a mechanism

for the islanders to express their will and for their wishes to be respected."

Argentina has already taken the diplomatic initiative by being the first to announce broad acceptance spokesman said today.

The dramatic change in forward by Mr Javier Perez de Cuellar, the United tary position, in the Ameri-

will not be implemented.

explain his reasons for this.

□ Almost half of the one

million people working in the health service are taking home wages below the offi-

cial government poverty line,

according to the Confederation of Health Service
Employees (Cohse) (Jeannette Mitchell writes).

Four hundred thousand

Argentina rejects withdrawal

Peru's ceasefire move collapse

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

the South Atlantic from 5pm London time today, to which the British Government had provisionally agreed, col-lapsed yesterday, when the Argentine Government re-fused to contemplate withdrawing its forces from the Falkland Islands.

At the same time it became known that the Prime Minis-ter has secured the authority of the full Cabinet for an attack on airbases in main-land Argentina if this is seen as imperative for the protection of the task force.

The Peruvian Government, which with American support reported that it had decided after informal discussions with Argentine representa-tives in Lima, that it judged it wiser not even to present the peace plan formally for fear of prejudicing its relations with the Argentine govern-ment and its future useful-

The Peruvians reported that the Argentines appeared confident that the United Nations Security Council would enforce a ceasefire which allowed them to remain on the islands. Privilege main on the islands. Britain is confident that this belief is

Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, said last night: "I am deeply disappointed that Argentine intransigence has once again frustrated a constructive initiative. Had they genuinely wanted peace they would have accepted the latest proposal put to them and we proposal put to them and we could have had a ceasefire in place by 5 pm tomorrow."

At Westminster the news Mrs Thatcher destroyed hopes among MPs mons that the of all parties, which though modest, had grown stronger tine mainland.

A plan for a ceasefire in in the previous 48 hours, that Mrs Margaret Thatcher,

the Prime Minister at question time showed some fore-boding when Mr Michael Foot, the Opposition leader, suggested there was a chance of a ceasefire and a real peace settlement Mrs Thatpeace settlement, Mrs That-cher thought it likely that the Argentines were concentrating on a ceasefire without withdrawal — "a very evident ploy to keep them in possession of their ill-gotten

Although a minority in the Labour Party, led by Mr Tony Benn, are urging the Government to agree to the unconditional ceasefire which Argentina seeks. Mr Foot and the Shadow Cabinet, with the majority of Labour MPs and the other opposition parties, agree with the Government's refusal to

contemplate it.
Labour was last night insisting, however, that the failure of the Peruvian initiative obliged the Government to pursue a settlement with equal vigour through the United Nations. Mrs Thatcher yesterday told MPs that the Government wel-comed the Secretary-Gen-eral's ideas and could accept them as a framework for more specific proposals, and Mr Foot welcomed the tone of her response. She told bim that the

Secretary-General's pro-posals were not specific, and there was no timetable, but they did link cessation of hostilities with withdrawal. Labour backbenchers failed to get a promise from Mrs Thatcher in the Commons that there would be no British attack on the Argen-

Wary welcome for UN 'framework'

By Hugh Noyes, Parliamentary Correspondent

Mrs Margaret Thatcher government was right to be yesterday gave a guarded and "very, very wary". The wary celcome to what she called "the ideas" put for well be concentating on a ward by the Secretary-General of the United Nations as the basis for a negotiated evident ploy to keep them in peace settlement of the Falkland Islands crisis. The gains.

Prime Minister emphasized

To loud cheers from the Prime Minister emphasized that the ideas being put for Conservative benchos, Mrs ward by Senor Perez de Thatcher told the House: Cuellar should be looked on "The whole of amndatory only as a framework on resolution 502 has to be which to build and that they accepted and there can be no contained no specific details accepted and there can be detailed the companied by a withdrawal attached to them. Mrs Thatcher told the House: "We supervised." which is fully and properly supervised."

We welcome the ideas that the Secretary-General has put ted out that there had been to the ted out that there had been various, rather confidence as a framework on salient secretary. mre specific proposals can be built."

towards a sensible ceasefire, soveriegnty.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the Continued on back page, col 4

To loud cheers from the

response to the Secretary-General's ideas. It seemed Pressed by Mr Michael clear that while they were Frost the Labour leader, to very interested in a ceasefire, give her reactions toke they might not accept withvarious diplomatic moves drawal and might do it on a now under way because there totally different basis or appeared to be a real move require undertakings about



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6% for doctors, dentists, civil servants and Forces ommendation of the review body for a further 3 per cent but postponed payment of a further 3 per cent and made **Army Pay Rises**

By David Felton, Labour Reporter

receive increases averaging 6.1 per cent, white collar civil servants willget an average 5.9 per cent rise as expected. The increase for doctors and dentists will be 6 per cent and the Government has refused to pay an extra 3 per cent which was held over from last year's settlement. All the increases exceed

can be accommodatedby savings, although as a last resort represent our assessment of it was made clear yesterday what is required to maintain that the Government would fund the excess from the

contingency reserve.

Mrs. Margaret Thatcher announced the awards in a in full the review body's written answer in the Com- recommendation and also the mons yesterday. Increases report of the Doctors and

The Government yesterday for non-manual civil servants announced that it had agreed will range from 4.75 per cent to pay rises of about 6 per to 6.25 per cent, with the to pay rises of about 6 per to 6,25 per cent, with the cent for civil servants, the highest increases going to armed forces and doctors and more experienced staff. The dentities the forces will Government has accepted the Government has accepted the decision of the Civil Service Arbitration Tribunal which rejected the union's 13 percent demand but also improved the Governments market forces' offer of nil to 5.5 per cent.

The 330,000 service personnel will get the 6.1 per cent

refused to pay an extra 3 per cent which was held over from last year's settlement:

All the increases exceed the 4 per cent target set for public service pay increases this year and ministers hope that the 2 per cent overshoot judgment appropriate for can be accommodated by saven the commodated over the what is required to maintain adequate recruitment to and especially retention, in the

armed forces"..... The Government accepted

Present Rec'mended Colonel L1-Colonel £17,480 £15,012 WO1 E8,380 Sergeent £6,986 Private 1V £4,084

The recommended military salaries for officers are higher than the current rates by between 4.5 per cent and 8.9 per cent; for warrant officers and senior NCOs by between 5.6 per cent and 7 per cent and for corporals and below by between 4 per cent and 5.8 per cent. cent. These are basic figures on appoinment. Some members of the Arme Forces are eighte for addition payments according to the nature of the duties and responsibilities.

Dentists Review Body, which reserves and expects the rest recommended average 6 per to be met by health authcent increases from April 1. orities. Last year the Government agreed to a similar increase

clear yesterday that the 3 per cent would likewise not be paid this year.

Mrs. Thatcher said in the written answer that the increases would be met in part within existing cash limits and estimates.

[] The pay award to doctors and dentists, which breaks the health service 4 per cent limit, will spur the other health service unions in their pay campaign (Felicity Jones The increase of 5.5 per cent for most doctors and

dentists, with a special award of 6.3 to 8 per cent to junior hospital doctors, means that an extra £50m will have to be It is thought the government plans to meet three-quarters of this extra spend-

ing from its contingency The proffesional bodies are

unhappy that the full rec-

low pay, published yesterday.

staff, including 200,600 nurses, take home less than £82 a week, the level at which Family Income Supplement is payable for a family with two children, Cohse claims in a new report, The facts on NHS

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

immediate help to reduce the party's overdraft which it is authoritatively calculated, will stand at £498,000 at the

motion the process of fund raising to restore Labour's sagging financial position. Talks with Mr James Mortimer, the party's new general secretary, are expected to be the first step.

Mr David Basnett, chairman of TULV and general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, said yesterday: "We will be discussing how we can get together with the Labour Party to search for a solution to its financial problems and to talk about the need for the early establishment of a substantial general election

TULV has resources of about £250,000 raised by a voluntary levy of affiliated unions earlier this years, but this is being given only for specific political provects on which union leaders can

Trade union leaders are to be asked to dig deep into their political funds to provide the Labour Party with a £3m "war chest" for the next general election. They will also be called on for some immediate help to reduce the landary. But even that small Labour's national execucapita affiliation fee payable by the unions should rise by 5p a year to 50p from next January. But even that small increase will meet some opposition.

Burdened with rising costs will stand at £498,000 at the end of this year.

At a meeting next Wednesday, Trade Unions for Labour Victory will set in motion the process of fund. Government's new labour laws, some unions are arguing that they simply cannot afford to give more to the

> Stortford Peace", named after the summit conference between the party and the union feld in January, is supposed still to be active, the old political divisions between left and right con-tinue to make themselves felt. Right-wing leaders of the electricians union, for example, are declining to go along with a move to accelerate the payment of affiliation fees to the beginning of the year in which they are due. The forthcoming talks on Labour's financial difficulties could broaden into a more general debate on organiza-tion and policy designed to sustain the fragile political truce that will come under pressure at union conferences this summer.

Plea for heritage fund aid to buy Aintree

The Jockey Club has The Jockey Club said appealed for help to the trustees of the National advised it would take three Heritage Memorial Fund, in its efforts to raise £7m to buy Aintree racecourse and save the Grand National

The public appeal to save the racecourse, which will probably be formally launched in July, comes after a decision by the Aintree owner, Mr Bill Davies, a property dealer and chairman of the Walton Company of the Walton Company of the walton Company to plan the appeal. But as we have not got that time to raise the money, we are hoping to reduce the planning period and launch the appeal probably in July."

Mr Davies bought the 260-lace racecounts and the walton Company of the walt It was sold to Topham's in 1949 by Lord Sefton; he had of the Walton Group, to sell. He is giving the Jockey Club first option at a price of lent the property to £7m until November 1 and a trust has been formed by the year of the Grand National. club, which owns several other racecourses through the Racecourse Holdings. Trust, to raise the funds. If the Jockey Club is successful, the racecourse will be the first to have been

Anaesthetic 'led to death'

From Our Correspondent, Sheffield

required by the Department are enrolled on the 340 of Education and Science. courses under discussion,

Approval is to be with further education of are rawn in September from the small, specialized insti-

weeks after an operation at anaesthetist at the second Rotherham District General operation, said it was imposnospital, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, on a fractured ankle. Yesterday, the inquest ankle. Yesterday, the inquest was told that the anaesthetic halothane was used during of misadventure, but said he two operations in the space of five days.

Mrs Tether suffered no ill

effects after the first opera- Drugs. tion but after a second operation she became ill after being allowed home. She died being allowed home. She died on March 8, 14 days after the second operation.

Dr David Slater, a pathologist, said yesterday, that band, a steelworker, of Watson Mount, Kimberworth, Rotherham, said: "I will be taking legal action against the hospital."

of Education and Science. That means that at least one

in seven advanced courses

outside the universities is undersubscribed.

after a survey by the department which was considered

on Tuesday by the new National Advisory Body for local authority higher edu-

cation. They come at a time of record student numbers in

the polytechnics and rep-resent, according to a paper from the department, "a

prima facie case for rationali-

drawn in September from the small,

most seriously undersubsc- tutions.

The figures came to light

A woman died from the death was due to acute liver effects of an anaesthetic used in two routine operations within a week, an inquest in Rotherham, South Yorkshire, was told yesterday.

Mrs Hazel Tether, aged 39, an office cleaner, died two Dr David Edbrooke, the

> operation, said it was impossible to detect sensitivity before it was used. would draw the case to the attention of the British Committee on the Safety of

Tether, Mrs Tether's hus-

Shortage of students shuts 50 courses

By John O'Leary of the "Times Higher Educational Supplement"

representing about 4 per cent

of the student population in advanced further education.

However, the department estimates that they may be pre-empting 8 per cent of the resources available for advanced courses.

Of the courses involved, about 130 have failed to meet their minimum targets for each of the past two years and 47 colleges are named as

having 20 per cent of more of their advanced courses un-

dersubscribed. Most of those

are either predominantly engaged in non-advanced

ribed courses, which are said the larger polytechnics allowed to run either in the to be "something in excess of have the greatest number of the hope that numbers would 50". The advisory body is to courses described as "weakly pick up later.

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Softly, softly cricket

Graham Saville, the former Essex batsman, explaining cricket techniques at Lord's training school yesterday to Police Constable Geoff Ringham, one of a group of London policemen who will try to teach softball ball cricket to young people from inner-city areas Bob Carter, the former Worcestershire bowler, (cen-

tre) helped to put the officers, volunteers from beats concerned with community policing, through their A second group will attend

the school early next month so that all the Metropolitan divisions are represented. It is hoped to organize a competition between police divisions later this year.

Trickster in 'Times' move jailed

A confidence man who made inquiries about buying The Times publication group, and the Linwood car plant in Scotland and offered to assist BL, was jailed for two years by the Central Criminal Court

Kalyan Basu, aged 62, was convicted on 10 charges of obtaining a total of £15,800 and a cheque for £10,600 by deception between January and July last year. Judge Hammerton said that Basu, a graduate of Calcutta University, had misused and abused

Mr Alan Suckling, for the prosecution, described Basu as an experienced confidence trickster who arrived in England in 1980 in a crumpled suit and with £100 in his wallet. Within weeks Basu had a head full of criminal schemes which he hoped would bring in rich rewards before he disappeared again. He posed as millionaire financier with large sums of money in Swiss Doctors' drive and German banks to invest. It was done so that he could obtain cash advances

ments or other special cir-

cumstances.

Most of the undersubscribed courses fall into seven

subject areas: nursing and

in the department's paper as

"far below the optium econ-omic number". Most were

Former pop manager gets 3 years the intervention of Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Transport, and Sir Peter Parker, British Rail's chair-

Tam Paton, the former manager of the pop group the Bay City Rollers, was jailed for three years yesterday, after he pleaded guilty to an amended indictment on the fourth day of his trial at the High Court in Edinburgh.

Paton, aged 43, admitted conducting himself in a shamelessly indecent manner towards 2 teenage boys, now

towards 2 teenage boys, now aged between 15 and 20, and others unknown between January 1978 and December 1980 at his home at Little Kellerstain, Gogar, near

act of gross indecency with a dren". boy aged 14 and two other boys, showing the boys films of an obscene and indecent nature and supplying them with liquor and stupifying drugs all of which were likely to deprave and corrupt them and seduce them to indecent practices and behaviour.

for health

Doctors from Charing ross Hospital, London, Cross Hospital, London, saddened by the amount of time they spend in treating preventable disease, have organized four public meetings a possible or a programme a programme a possible or a programme a programme a possible or a programme a possible or a programme a possible or a programme a ings to encourage a healthier life in their local community (our Medical Correspondent More than 50 courses in discuss the fate of the recruited". Manchester polytocolleges and polytechnics are to close and the future of another 340 will be reconsidered because they are running with fewer than the minimum number of students.

More than 50 courses in discuss the fate of the recruited". Manchester polytechnic has 19, Leeds 18 and both Sheffield and Liverpool 17. However, Dr George expects to close only a few in September.

More than 50 courses in discuss the fate of the recruited". Manchester polytechnic has 19, Leeds 18 and their local authorities, but it followers, Dr George polytechnic, complained that the figures took no account the figures took no account of figure teaching arrange. writes).

Miss Anna Ford last night introduced the first meeting on coronary heart disease. When two physicians explained the preventable nature of many of the causes of that condition and the need for regular blood pressure checks.

Damages plea

health education; mining, metal technology and mat-erial science; hotel catering and institutional manage-Mrs Rosina McLoughlin aged 48, of Town Closed ment; nautical studies; sur-Sawston, Cambridgeshire, who suffered nervous shock after learning that her daughter had been killed and other family members had been unjured in a crash vesterday won the right to veying; textile technology and manufacture; and physical science. Teacher training was excluded from the review, as were the voluntary colleges. yesterday won the right to claim compensation for her On average, the courses have only 28 students en-rolled in each year, described illness.

Five law Lords ruled that she was entitled to sue for damages, although she was not at the scene of the accident. Law report, page 8.

Soliciting fine

Miss Sophie Cordle, aged 24, of Paddington, west London, who is the daughter of Mr John Cordle, a former Conservative MP, admitted soliciting when she appeared at Marlborough Street Magis trates' Court yesterday. Miss Cordle, a former heroin addict, was fined £25 or given an alternative of a day's detention.

Security check

Security at a Northampton probation office has been tightened after confidential files were found by a man walking his dog in a wood. The chief probation officer said he believed that the files were placed by mistake with rubbish outside the office and then blown into the wood

Snow not the Falklands provides the talking point in Scottish polls

LOCAL **ELECTIONS**

Voters in central and southern Scotland woke up to an unseasonably white polling day yesterday. Heavy snow made roads difficult and most polling stations reported a slow start.

The snow eased in Gassans stronghold seemed unlikely to fall to pressure from The snow eased in Glasgow by mid-morning and there was brisker voting around Scottish National Labour, lunchtime but, as is tradi-tional in the West of Scot-land, the ballot boxes did most of their business after Party and alliance candidates contesting 44 seats. Ten grampian councillors,

Conservatives, have been elected unopposed. North of the Highland line, party politics are largely eschewed by candidates for

where the Labour administration was defending a one seat majority, against a strong challenge from the SDP/Liberal Alliance and the local government. Only 12 of the candidates fighting 27 contested seats in the Highland region wore party labels. Logistical problems in that large area of Scotland will delay the start of the Conservatives, the snow per-sisted until mid-afternoon and polling was reported to be very slow!
Similar reports came from Highla
Tayside, Fife and the Borders

System Highlands count until 9 am

Further north, the weather was better. A cold but dry day provided little excuse for light polling in Grampian and turnout of voters in the Western Isles, whose weather was, as usual, the opposite of that in the central lowlands. te Highlands. "No party politics, please",
Grampian's Conservative was the clear message in the the Highlands.

the Lothian region,

A subject of controversy in the Orkney press lately has been the Orkney Labour

weather was the predominant topic of conversation on Sunshine greeted a fair

contested. The weather was fine, for a change, but little change seems likely in a council dominated by independents with leanings towards the Shetland homerule movement. One homerule candidate was standing in Orkney.

Party's decision to field five candidates, and unpre-cedented move in islands where councillors' party affiliations are usually a matter for reticence.
Throughout Scotland the

polling day, eclipsing the Falklands crisis and the Government's forthcoming £45m sanctions against Lothian Region, where the Secretary of State for Scot-

11 contested seats, where Labour group of excessive only independents were standing.

Polling was described as light in Shetland, where only nine of the 25 seats were contected. The standard would be squeezed out by the Falklands issue, which has would be squeezed out by the Falklands issue, which has take attention from the "community politics" of Liberal and SDP candidates. Co

Mr David Miller general secretary of the Liberal Party in Scotland, blamed the media for the apparent lack of interest in the election: "I think they have neglected it", he said, "I think this is worrying because we in the Liberal party believe that

democracy is a relatively fragile plant. Local government spending cuts in Birmingham led to the press having to pay for facilities to report election results (the Press Associ-

ation reports). Media organizations were told that they could not have telephone facilities in the Council House and that if late-night access to the press room required security men, land has accused the ruling have to be paid.

School level crossing Battle has been joined between the BBC and the complaints

By David Nicholson-Lord Safety rules for level crossings have been questioned in the light of a move by British Rail to install an automatic "half-barrier" next

automatic "half-barrier" next to a nursery and infants' school near Cambridge.

The proposal has led to protests and appeals for government intervention. Residents argue that the barrier will leave half the road and a pavement "completely open" to small children. They claim that such a barrier has never before been installed next to a school. installed next to a school.

British Rail describes that claim as sweeping and says it wants to cut costs by replacing a manned crossing. But its plan has led Mr Robert Rhodes James, Conservative MP for Cambridge, to seek the intervention of Mr David

Mr Rhodes James said yesterday that he was worried about the safety aspects. "Small children can easily walk under a half barrier. There is no precedent for having one in the immediate vicinity of an infants' school."

The crossing cuts the village of Cherry Hinton in half. Objections have come from the city and county
from the city and county
councils and from a dozen
local head teachers, as well
as parents and residents.
The heads want a full
barrier and describe the sity, had misused and abused his abilities and only his poor health had saved him from a much longer sentence.

Mr. Alan Suckling for the session and committing an the safety of young chil-

Mrs Mary Simpson, head of Cherry Hinton infants' school, which has 230 children aged up to seven, said Canvey Island methane yesterday "No economic terminal in Essex, must hold reason is worth risking a closed session about safechild's life. It is all very well guards against sabotage. does not always happen in a normal world". Concern about the half

Concern about the half barriers stems from their design, consisting of two hinged booms which obstruct only the left hand side of the road approach. Lowered, they come down to about 3ft 6inches above ground level. Objectors want to see four booms complete with protec-tive "skirts" so that children can not run through without realizing it.
The automatic half barrier

is described by British Rail and the Department of Transport as a safe and cheap replacement for manned barriers. Although the department give final approval to a draft order sumitted by British Rail, a department inspector has apparently sanctioned preliminary ap-

Yesterday however, neither the department nor British Rail seemed sure of where responsibility lay. The procedure for approval is laid down in the British Transport Commission Act of 1957

Battle over satellite TV

a clearer picture free from

defects which show up as

unwanted movement of static

the option of improved resol-

ution pictures suitable for large-screen display in the 1990s

ability to transmit within existing channel bandwidths allocated for satellite broad-

suitable for use with multi-channel sound systems re-quired for international tele-

vision broadcasting

By Kenneth Gosling

Independent Broadcasting Authority (IBA) over which satellite transmission system is suitable for public use in the 1990s and beyond. Each has been proclaiming the virtues of its own system, better sound, superior pic-tures and little adaptation

needed to domestic receivers.

A decision is expected early next year, and nowhere will it be awaited with keener expectation than in the field receiver manufacture, where makers are unable to complete their ideas for the design of new sets.

The viewer of the future

will be as much concerned about better sound as about picture quality. IBA engin-eers believe their system will fill the bill.

The IBA carried out its first experimental trans-missions with the new mulinistens with the new indi-tiplexed analogue component (MAC) system last month in preparation for demon-strations to European broadcast engineers.

MAC is a system said to be

able to overcome the diffi-culties of incompatibility between the different colourencoding systems, Pal and Secam, used in Europe, Africa and the Middle East. If adopted for direct broad-casting satellites (DBS) it would, engineers say, over-

Europe.

The IBA rejects a BBC argument that its system will take longer to implement. "If someone made a quick decision and faid we will go ahead with Mai, it would not delay the satellites at all", a spokesman sail. spokesman saffi.
"We claim that Mac has a reception additage over any of the other systems. You

casting

come the technical barriers can also have a slightly to television broadcasting smaller dish aerial or one of across national frontiers, and the same size that will give a at the same time provide viewers with better quality better reception of overseas satellites. There is also a greater margin against deterioration of the instal-There are, the engineers say, seven main advantages: a single 625-line colour system for Europe

Five satellite channels will be available in 1986 of which the BBC has been allocated two. The corporation says a key factor in any new transmission system must be compatibility so that receivers can continue to work with new-standard signals; although new receivers would be necessary to derive

full benefit.
"The introduction of any non-compatible system could require many years for international agreement and new receiver development and hence seriously delay the establishment of satellite broadcasting

country."
The IBA says its Mac suitable for use with teletext information systems and leads to a single design of satellite adaptor unit for system, in development at its engineering centre in Craw-ley Court, Hampshire, is arousing considerable interest among European and North American broadcasting organization. Last month 150 engineers visited Crawley Court, among them 50 specialists returning from a conference in Dublin.

Who wins the battle for the European standard system is still anyone's guess.

Gas inquiry session to be secret

Environment Correspondent

Ministers have decided that the public inquiry into the child's life. It is all very well guards against sabotage.
to say that mothers can hang Objectors who want the
on to toddlers but that just terminal to be closed say that the danger of sabotage must be included in the public examination of possible risk to the island's population of more than 30,000. In January, 1979 a bomb

fixed to a Canvey oil tank by the IRA blew a hole in the casing but failed to ignite the fuel inside. The decision to exclude the public and many objectors from part of the inquiry is especially sensitive because it coincides with the passage through Parliament of a Bill intended to reduce the chances of holding such

inquiries in camera.
The Planning Inquiries
(Attendance of Public) Bill was introduced by Mr Michael Hamilton, Conservative MP for Salisbury, and received its third reading last

The Department of the Environment has said that the Government will make an announcement about arrangements for the closed session through Mr Alan de Piro, QC, the inspector at the inquiry. "The question is how private it will be,"

Spend more on society's careis reports say

By Lucy Hodges

More morey should be ground that they would not spent on the tarers — those normally be working and spent on the carers — those people, mainly women and mainly unused, who look after old and handicapped relations, actording to two reports pullished by the Equal Oppertunities Commission yesteday.

There are about 1.25 million carers in Britain, most income by providing care.

lion carers in Britain, most of whom are women, the or whom are women, the commission says. Society now expects family and friends to support the old and the handcapped and that generally means the burden falling on women, thus restricting their opportunities.

tunities.
The state Invalid Care Allowance is given only to women who are and always have been single but to all men, regardless of their marital stains, provided they cannot work because they are looking after a severely disabled person.

would -therefore not lose "The policy is revealed as a euphemism for an under-resourced system which

places heavy burdens on individual members of the community, most of them women", the research report says. "It represents care on the cheap." The commission is asking employers and unions to

work together to draw up more flexible: working arrangements for carers and is pressing the Government to pay Invalid Care Allowance to all women looking after the old or handicapped. Who cares for the carers:
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Breast feeding increase By Felicity Jones

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A government report 1975, according to a survey shows that the number of of 5,500 mothers with six week-old babies which was feeding their babies has increased significantly, in the last five years.

In 1980, 67 per cent of office of Population Censuses S46.7.5 Infant feeding 1980, Office of Population Censuses es and Surveys, St Cathemothers in England and Wales breast fed initially, compared to 51 per cent in London WC2 6JP; £3.00.

£136,742 won for accident victims

By Frances Gibb

forward after being offered a free interview with a solicitor. They are now receiving settlements of an average of £1,000.

The free legal advice

The free legal advice scheme for victims of accidents has been set up on a pilot basis in Manchester after concern that they fail to go to solicitors and seek impensation. The first findings of the

scheme have been published by the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Oxford, which was commissioned by the Greater Manchester Legal Services Committee, a group of laymen and lawyers who set up the scheme nearly two years

Most victims who came forward would not have attempted to make a claim for damages had it not been for the scheme's existence, the report found. Nearly two thirds of those using the scheme had never before consulted a solicitor and few knew of the existence of legal aid.

says, "there is no question of 'hesitating' to seek legal advice, because the idea, apparently, never occurs to them at all". The Royal Commission on

The Royal Commission on Civil Liability and Compensation for Personal Injury in 1978 showed that only about 6.5 per cent of all people suffering accidental injury obtained any compensation through the legal system. A more recent survey by the Oxford studies centre has resources are normally strained, might seem daunt ing, if considered at all."

The scheme involved the distribution of leaflets and posters to hospitals, survey by the clsewhere advising on damagers. Calms and offering one free interview with a solici-Oxford studies centre has free interview with a solici-shown that of all seriously tor.

More than 200 accident "For the vast majority of ence of personal injury people in the survey given a victims with sound claims for compensation have come says, "there is no question of concern is with recovery. cases led to action being."

Miss Hazel Genn, author of per cent had suffered some hospital". the report, says that in the serious permanent disability aftermath of injury the and another 17 per cent were aftermath of injury the and another 17 per cent were responsibility for a damages still suffering from some claim rests squarely with the serious residual effects of injured individual, who is injuries from which they Legal Studies, Wolfson College unlikely to have had experimight not recover. Of all 353 Oxford).

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"Unless he has the backing of a trade union, the prospect compensation and, at the time of the survey, in 83 per compensation are time of the survey, in 83 per contents. damages at a time when cent of cases, a settlement resources are normally had been reached or was still strained, might seem dauntbeing negotiated. Only 16 per cent had been abandoned. Of those where settlements

had been reached, the total amount awarded was £136,742. The average award was \$1.210 but that was slightly inflated, the report says, by one large award of £30,000. The median amount was £600.

mjured victims, only 12 per cent obtained damages.

The chief stumbling blocks, according to the Manchester survey, are lack of knowledge about legal rights, fear of legal costs, uncertainty about locating a solicitor and apprehension about making the initial approach.

Miss Hazel Genn author of more than two months; 9

Of those surveyed, 38 per cent had their accidents at home, at leisure, in the street work home, at leisure, in the street work. Twenty-seven per cent had been involved in road under £200 from her employers. She said: "I think it is very good and I would not have got anything if I had not hospital".

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Science report

Meteorite

yields 'life-like'

acids

By the Staff of "Nature" Detailed analysis of a meteorite from southern Australia has shown it to

Australia has shown it to contain amino acids with the same "left-handed" structure as is characteristic of those found in terrestrial life. While the left-handed amino acids were almost certainly not produced by extraterrestrial life, they may have been formed by the same process which took place prior to the urigin of life on earth.

Amino acids are the

Amino acids are the building blocks for the proteins found in all bio-logical systems, Although

logical systems. Although two molecular structures (called stereoisomers) are possible for each kind of amino acid, with one being the mirror image of the other, living organisms contain the left-handed form. In the absence of life, as in space, one would expect amino acids to be produced and exist in equal quantities of the two struc-

quantities of the two struc-tural forms. Knowing whether amino acids found

one form only or as a mixture of the two forms is therefore of great relevance to the question of how those molecules were

Meteorites have been found to contain traces of amino acids but always with equal concentrations of the two forms, indicat-

ing that they were formed by an essentially random

process without selective production of the left

rizes terrestrial life. How

ever, the new research seems to be at odds with those earlier results.

Dr Michael Engel and Di

Bartholomew Nagy, of the

University of Arizona, made a careft analylsis of a single meteorite, using only the inner part of the stone and taking thorough

stone and taking thorough precautions against contaminating their samples with terrestrial material. Five different amino acids were present largely in the left-handed form. But the amino acids found in highest concentrations in the meteorite are tare on

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the meteorite are rare on earth and the commonest terrestrial amino acids were absent or present only in minute amounts. Two particular amino acids which are present in human persperation and are therefore characteristic of terrestrial contamination were also virtually absent, supporting other evidence that there had not been contamination during

been contamination during

handling of the samples in

After corroborating their

results by asking other research workers to check

their findings, Engel and Nagy come to the con-

clusion that the amino

acids they found are genu-ine and not likely to be due

to contamination. They suggest that in order to

account for their obser-

vations there must exist

some unknown process

which selectively synthesizes the left-handed form of

the amino acids on the parent body from which the meteorite was formed.

Certainly ther will now have to be considerable thought as to the mechan-

isms responsible for these

unusual findings but few.

if any, scientists will find it

necessary to invoke the presence of extraterrestrial

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Ulster Bill could face Commons filibuster

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Senior ministers seemed to accept the possibility last night that the Government's Northern Ireland Bill might be fillibustered into the ground by hardline Commons opponents over the coming months.

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Mr Enoch Powell, the Official Ulster Unionist MP for (Down South, told Mr John Biffen, the Leader of the Commons, yesterday that the legislation, which has its account reading in the Commons.

of crisis over the Falklands the Government should withhold the Bill; and he was supported in that by two Conservative MPs, Sir John Biggs-Davison, Epping Forest, and Mr John Farr, Harborough.

Normally the expression of such hostility to the Bill, which proposes the creation of a 78-member Northern Ireland Assembly with an eventual devolution of power from Westminster, would prove no problem to a Government with a substantial majority of the House.

But it was disclosed last night that when the Bill goes into its committee stage; on the floor of the full House, ministers might that when the Bill goes into its committee stage; on the floor of the full House, ministers might draw back.

The difficulty for ministers are in post-war years, a fact which was volunteered with significant significant substantial that with significant specific left an elderly woman dead. She was thought to have been stabbed (Craig Seton writes from Belfast).

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A soldier and a policeman were in hospital on separate bomb

into its committee stage, on the floor of the full House, ministers might draw back from the imposition of a guillotine to curtail debate. It was said last night that the Government would be

er to impede progress of the legislation.

the Commons, yesterday that the legislation, which has its second reading in the Commons on Monday, was regarded by almost every section in Northern Ireland as an affront.

He suggested that at a time of crisis over the Falklands the Government should withhold the Bill; and he was supported in that by two Conservative MPs, Sir John Biegs-Davison, Epping For-

is that Mr Powell, Mr Biggs-Davison, Mr Farr and other hikely opponents have in the injuries when a booby-trap-past proved their stamina in ped bomb attached to his parliamentary debate. garage doors exploded.

If Labour MPs, acting independently of the Opposition Front Bench, then take their cue from the hostility of Ulster's minority Social Democratic and Labour Party and the primary labour Party and the prime minister in Dublin, the Government's questionable determination to persevere with the legislation could well be wiped

Police hunt post office raiders

Li Police in co Down were hunting three men vesterday whose raid on a village post office left an elderly woman dead. She was thought to have been stabbed (Craig Santa writes from Relfast).

worth the candle".

The difficulty for ministers at Durham Street, close to stat Mr Powell, Mr Biggs- Belfast city centre, exploded by some analysis of the solution of the so The policeman received leg

CS gas used to end house siege

The police in Nottingham yesterday sprayed CS riot gas into the home of man they said was mentally ill to end a seven-hour siege (Our Not-tingham Correspondent

writes).

It was the first time the gas, which was used during last summer's fighting between police and youths in Toxteth, Liverpool, had been used in Northingham.

The morningham.

The man, aged 35, had barricaded himseld in the loft at his home in Hendon Rise, St Anns. He refused to leave, the police said, and threw files through a hole in the roof. When the man was overcome by the gas he was taken to a psychiatric hospi-tal, where he was detained

The spokesman said the man had armed himself with an axe. "We feared he may hurt himself. It was the only way to end the siege. In view of his condition it is unlikely that any charges will be preferred."

Plea to Lords on Extradition

The United States Government was given leave yesterday to appeal to the Lords
against a ruling by the
Queen's Bench Divisional
Court last month that Gail
Jennings, aged 21, of Greenway Close, Highfield,
tymington, Should not be extradited to
should not be extradited to
for the Environment. Demonstrators threw eggs and authority unions say they
biscuits at Mr Heseltine, but will support the Wandsworth
strike indefinitely.
Scotland Yard said last
rubbish disposal services as night that investigations into
well for an annual cost of the incidents were continuface charges in Los Angeles arising out of a road accident in 1978 in which a cyclist aged 13 died. The Divisional Court ruled that the offences were not sufficiently grave to warrant extradition.

Action settled

A civil action against the Chief Constable of Merseyside and two police con-stables alleging wrongful arrest and assault on Mr Francis Anthony Allen, aged 39, of Lincoln Road, Huyton, ended abruptly yesterday at the High Court in Liverpool when Mr John Roberts, for the defendants, said the matter had been settled.

Demotion appeal

Police Constable Michael Hayden, aged 35, from Pir-ton, near Hitchin, Hertford-shire, who was demoted from shire, who was demoted from the rank of sergeant after refusing to tackle a man believed to be armed in October 1980 is to appeal against the decision at a Home Office tribunal.

Buses stop

Crosville bus services on north Merseyside were halted yesterday when more than 100 drivers and engineers walked out from the Edge Lane depot in Liverpool in a dispute over working

Nalgo action

The emergency committee of the National and Local Government Officers Association decided yesterday to take industrial action from Monday in support of a pay claim.

Court escape

Six men on remand es-caped from Manchester city magistrates court yesterday: They were to appear on charges of theft and bur-

Jailed for life

Daniel Horvath, aged 50, a builder, of Beech Avenue, Peterborough, Cambridge-shire, was jailed for life yesterday at Northampton Crown Court for murdering Mr Francis Carberry,

Police check reports of dustcart ambush

The police are treating seriously two reports that controlled council announced private contractors in the that it would tender from private contractors in the London Borough of Wandsworth were ambushed while as a result of the PIS letter. collecting rubbish during a three-week dustmen's strike.

three-week dustmen's strike. strike, and received support
Mr Jan Leer, a director of from 70 telephonists, and
Pritchard Industrial Services,
the company responsible for
the collection, says that on intending to tender and,
the latest occasion he was according to Mr Ian Scott, a attacked by a gang of seven men, three of them wearing Wandsworth Borough Council donkey jackets. The National Union of

Public Employees dismisses Mr Leer's claims as crude propaganda and promises to prolong a dispute which is growing into the most serious conflict yet as a result of changing local authority refuse collection to private firms. private firms.

At the heart of the dispute

PIS indirectly started the dispute in February when its cessors. winning of the contract for Wandsworth's street cleaning was marked by a visit to the borough by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State

When the Conservative-

Nupe area official, is seeking publicity to win the contract.

Mr Scott denies that the union has attempted any confrontation with the private collectors on the streets.

to the police are said to have taken place in public roads, and PIS also says that the Oxford Road depot in Putney has been entered and 24 tyres on four cleansing vehicles slashed causing damage costing more than £2,000.

Street cleaners working for Pritchards can earn up to At the heart of the dispute is the character of Pritchard Industrial Services (PIS), part of a large and successful international group now international group now intent on winning more lucrative local authority contracts.

Street cleaners working for Pritchards can earn up to Elaims that when pension, holiday and penalty clauses are taken into consideration they are worse off than their they are worse off than their directly employed prede-On Monday, the company's

operations will be the focus of a union rally which is likely to stop refuse collect-ions in neighbouring boroughs, and the local

£2.1m compared with £2.9m ing but there was no present prospect of charges.

Postwar art sale sets 14 price records

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Christie's set 14 auction price records for postwar artists in their sale of contemporary art in New ork on Wednesday night.

The sale was exceptionally successful (18 per cent unseld) for a field notoriously difficult to handle at auction. Most works having been bought recently from dealers at high prices. 2 public at high prices, a public auction can seldom deliver a profit or even match purchase prices.

Christie's explained the success of the sale hy pointing to the very high quality of the works offered. It was the strongest offering in New York for many years a spokesman said.

A large (84in by 143in) black painting by Stella, dating from 1958 and titled "Reichstag", brought the top price at \$462,000 (unpublished estimate \$400,000 to \$500,000) or £255,250.

It is in black enamel on carivas with a pattern of linear outlines. Stella painted 23 black paintings over a 16month period, most of which are now in Museums. This was the second.

A painting by Jackson Pollock entitled "Night Danc-er (Green)" and dating from 1944, nearly doubled pre-sale fetch expectations \$330,000 or £182,320.

Other auction records in-cluded the \$297,000 (unpub-lished estimate \$300,000 to \$350,000) or £164,088 for a \$350,000) or £164,088 for a big red canvas by Mark Rothka entitled "No. 1—1962, the \$220,000 (unpublished estimate \$200,000 to\$225,000) or £121,547 for Franz Kline's "Horizontal Rust" of 1960 and \$115,500 (estimate \$50,000 to \$70,000) or £63,812 for Milton Avery's "Black Tree" of 1945.

In London yesterday a sale of antiques at Christie's was 23 per cent unsold.

Chief constable wins bank freeze appeal

The police were entitled to a court injunction freezing the bank account of a man facing forgery and deception charges, the Court of Appeal ruled yesterday.

By a two to one decision the court allowed an appeal by Mr Barry Paine, the chief constable of Kent, against the refusal of a High Court judge to continue the injunc-

Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, held that the High Court had power to grant the police an injunction prevent-ing and alleged thief drawing on his bank account so that in due course ill-gotten money could be restored to the true owner,

"It would be a mockery o disposing of the goods or their proceeds pending his trial", Lord Denning said. "The court must have power to grant an injunction to stop him doing so". As long as it could be traced, it could be

The accused man could apply to the court to release sums needed for his defence or other "proper payments' he added.

Lord Justice Donaldson said the chief constable should assert his right to snould assert his right to detain the money by issuing a writ claiming a declaration to that effect. The freezing injunction would then be ancillary to that.

Disagreeing, Lord Justice Slade said the police them-selves had no power under common law to detain intangible assets, even if they had reasonable grounds for sup posing they were traceable back to property obtained from another in breach of the law. The chief constable had established no legal or equitable right to the bank account to give him suf-ficient legal standing to seek an injunction.



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Manchester yesterday after a month-long voyage from Karachi. The 4-0 locomotive is a gift from the Pakistan Government to the city's North-western Museum of Science and Industry. The engine was built at the Vulcan factory, near Manchester.

Judge asks for airport documents

Lord Cockfield, Minister of State at the Treasury, was ordered by a High Court judge in London yesterday to

judge in London yesterday to hand over government documents related to British airport landing charges.
"Documents as close as this to the Government have never before been ordered to be produced". Mr Justice Bingham said. The ministerial papers, which related to government policy decisions, were needed in the public interest, he said.

In a preliminary hearing

public interest, he said.

In a preliminary hearing the judge granted an application by Air Canada and Pan Am that the papers be handed over for his inspection before a High Court action in October when airlines will challenge increased landing charges at Heathrow. A stay of the order was granted pending an appeal.

an appeal. "Giving" judument in open court after a hearing in private the judge said the airlines were alleging that the Secretary of State for Trade and the British Airport Authority had acted beyond their powers in raising air-port fees more than two

years ago.
Counsel for the Secretary
of State, had claimed that the
papers should be withheld in the public interest as they contained details of formulation of government policy.

But, the judge said, the documents were necessary for the due administration of justice: "The concern of the court must surely be that its final decision should be made

on a sure foundation of fact." It was clear that the papers contained high level government information and related to matters of great importance to the United Kingdom. "Never before have minis-

ters' working papers been produced", the judge said. "The consequences of production could be potentially far reaching."

The airlines alleged that

the Secretary of State acted outside his powers by imposing a financial target on the British Airport Authority. The documents are crucial to determination of this

issue", the Judge said.

It was the ministerial papers, rather than purely official documents, which official documents, which should be handed over because it was the minister's thinking that was crucial. In February last year 16 foreign airlines were urdered

by Mr Justice Parker to pay the British Airports Authority an estimated 12m in Heathrow landing charges, withheld since the increases.

he said. Several Conservatives said

Council fox hunt ban in South Glamorgan

From Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent, Cardiff

South Glamorgan County ing is a cruel, barbaric and council yesterday voted to ban fox hunting on its farms, after a long and boisterous debate. Cheerful insults were stupid and ignorant activity". exchanged across the crowd-ed council chamber as Conservative members fought rearguard actions against acceptance of a proposal from the agriculture com-

The committee advised the The committee advised the council "to take all steps available to it as landlords" to prevent fox hunting across its 70 farms. The Glamorgan Hunt's country includes about 400 acres of the 3,000 acres covered by the farms. Mr Howard Gough, chairman of he agriculture committee. of he agriculture committee, said that would soon attempt to introduce a similar measure against hare hounds. Lord Brooks of Tremorfa,

Mr William Bain, 4 Con-servative councillor, was annoyed by Labour claims that the agriculture com-mittee had been given legal advice that a ban could be imposed on tenants. "The tenants are trying to farm a well by keeping out the vermin, and the fox is vermin like the bloody lawyers

that an important issue was the attempt by Labour councillors to interfere with tenants rights to allow legal activity on the land they

Mr Gough said that he might have favoured consultation with tenants after yesterdays meeting if the ban had not passed through his a former Labour chairman of tation with tenants after the council, said that there yesterdays meeting if the ban was no need for a whip on had not passed through his his group at yesterday's committee with a recommendation because all of its dation that tenants be told of members condemned hunt-

the committee's advice was defeated by 43 votes to 33.

Mr Steve James, a Labour councillor, said: "We as landlords feel that foxhunt-

Tebbit gives warning on ending benefit

Supplementary benefit could not be used as a "mairress" to support young people who preferred to apt out of the Government's planned Youth Training Scheme, Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Em-

ployment, said yesterday. Confirming earlier specu-lation that the Government was intending to proceed with the ending of sup-plementary benefit for 16-year-olds Mr Tebbit said that when the new Youth Training Scheme - on which young people are expected to receive £25 a week — began in earnest in September 1983 some might not wish to take further education or

training. He added at a meeting of the West of England Engineering Employers' Associ-ation in Bristol: "That is their decision to make but it is not the duty of Govern-ment to provide with taxpayers' cash an incentive for them to upt out of working

D Employers required to pay their workers statutory mini-mum wages will now be

By Donald Macintyre Labour Correspondent subject to checks less than once every 10 years, according to the union representing

wages inspectors.
The Society of Civil and Public Servants is increasing the pressure on ministers to restore cuts in the wage: nspectorate amid TUC fears that the Government may make moves to disband the wages councils which fix statutory minimum rates for 2.750,000 The society has complained in a letter to MPs that the cut

inspectors from 177 to 119 s in direct contrast to an ncrease from 4,415 to 5,595 in the number of officials investigating social security

In the letter Mr Chris Easterling, assistant sec-retary of the society, says retary of the society, says that recent Low Pay Unit claims that as much as £28m in annual illegal underpayment is not being recovered "may not be unreasonable".

He adds: Despite the fact that fraud on this scale is an abvious scandal the Govern-

obvious scandal the Government refuse to do anything about the law enforcement agency concerned, namely the wages inspectorate."

welfare warning

fare was an emotive issue on which many people held sincere veiws which ran contrary to their's, Mr John Maunder, chairman of the British Poultry Federation, told the federation's annual meeting in London yester-

ing out of welfare require-ments than that borne by its continental competitors. If it did, then imports from countries with lesser standards and burdens should be pro-

Rise in child deaths

There were 71 deaths from accidents on British farms last year, the lowest figure and Safety Executive dis-

losed vesterday.
But, while welcoming the long-term downward trend,

ities increased; of the 13 children who died, three were under four and another six under nine. Young chil-dren should be kept in safe play areas away from form hazards, Mr Whitaker emphasized. Deaths from overturning tractors increased from seven in 1980 to 12 last year.

Women's union plan

quality. Mrs Teresa Wickham, the union's chairman said that, unlike the National Farmers' Union and the Consumers Association, it represented the interests of both producers and consumers.

Poultry

By John Young Agriculture Correspondent Poultry producers should remember that animal wel-

day. We would do well to accept and respect this, to take careful note of what our critics say, and to be sure that we satisfy ourselves that our practices and husbandry do not cause unneccessary suffering to the livestock in our care", be continued. But the British poultry industry should not bear a greater financial burden aris-

The federation was deter-mined to keep to the present system of battery cages for

hens until the advantages of un alternative system were clearly demonstrated, Mr Maunder said.

Mr Jim Whitaker, Government's chief agricul-tural inspector, said that there was no ruom for complacency. The number of child fatal-

☐ The Women's Farming Union said yesterday that it hoped to extrend its retail surveillance scheme to all fresh fruit and vegetables in a campaign tot improve

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Wilcox wins £14,000 libel damages against 'Eye'

Mr Desmond Wilcox, the television producer, won lihel damages of £14,000 in the High Court yesterday from Private Eye, the satirical magazine, which falsely accused him of misusing his position at the BBC to."line his num not be?" his own pockets".

Mr Justice Jupp said Pri-rate Eye had waged a "campaign of denigration"a-gainst Mr Wilcox, who is married to Esther Rantzen, of BBC television's That's Life programme.
"The damages must com-

pensate for the anxiety and hurt he felt, the reproachful attitude he encountered in the BBC and the effect on his career prospects" the judge He said four articles, one in 1975, two in 1980 and one in January this year, had libelled Mr Wilcox. A further four articles in 1975 were not

of misusing his position as head of BBC General Features "putting himself forward as the writer of a bank of the might otherwise than he might otherwise between the might otherwise than he might otherwise between the might otherwise than he might otherwise between the might of the might otherwise between the might of original article". department. Explor The judge said although tified.



the job and had not abused

his position. But the judge said accu-sations that Mr Wilcox was guilty of pagiarism were justified. In 1980 the BBC defamatory on their own and Mr Wilcox were seed for "but they must have reminded some readers of the use of scriptwriters' work for the defamatory of the use of scriptwriters' work for the first large of the seed of the first large of the seed o the Explorers series in the

ward as the writer of a book based on the BBC2 Explorers plagiarism and breach of series, produced by his copyright concerning the Explorers book were jus-

Mr Wilcox made about Mr Wilcox said after the £20,000 he had been persuad-three-week hearing: "I am ed relucterely to undertake very satisfied."

imprison magistrate fails

An attempt by Mr Casimir Simeon, a student, to jail Mr

in February the court In February the court ruled in a test case that courts had no legal authority to hear any more pros-ecutions brought under the controversial "sus" law. The offence of being a "suspected

Last November, Mr Crowther rejected a sub-mission by Mr Simeon, of Phillip Lane, Tottenham, Phillip Lane, Tottenham, north London, that he had no jurisdiction to hear a charge brought against Mr Simeon under the "sus" law Yesterday Mr Simeon represented by Lord Gifford, QC, sought to commit Mr Crowther for his failure on February 25 to comply with the Divisional Court ruling, Lord Justice Ackner, sitting

Lord Justice Ackner, sitting with Mr Justice Woolf, said the case raised matters of public importance affecting a number of outstanding cases and should be decided ultimately by the House of Lords, From a commonsense point of view the present application was wholly devoid of any merit and would be dismissed.

Attempt to

Eric Crowther, the West London Stipendiary Magistrate, for alleged contempt of court, was the height of absurdity, Lord Justice Ackner said in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court yes.

person loitering with intent"
was abolished

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Thatcher welcome for United Nations ideas

FALKLANDS

Britain welcomed the ideas put forward on the Falkland Islands crisis by Senor Perez de Cuellar, the United Nations Secretary General, and could accept them as a framework on which more specific proposals could be built, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, stated during questions in the House of

But she warned that Argentine might be concentrating on a ceasefire without withdrawal as a ploy to keep their illgotten gains. No specific details were attached to the Secretary General's proposals and no timetable but they did link cessation of hostilities with withdrawal as was to be expected in view of the Security Council resolutoion.

Mrs Thatcher said for any proposals to work and command confidence they must be precise as to the timing, sequence and verification of events.

If Britain agreed to there being the military activities during

no military activities during negotiations they would be hamstrung, the Falklanders would remain under the heel of the invader, while the Argentines increased their activities on the mainland and increased their supplies and reserves in order to stock Britain at will.

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, questioning Mrs Thatcher about diplomatic discusions, said: Does she not agree that there appears to be a real that there appears to be a real chance of a move towards a sensible ceasefire leading to other developments and that there is also a chance of moving owards a real peace settlement. Does she agree that everything ossible should be done to outture that chance and that nothing should be done to injure it?

In particular, what is her and

In particular, what is her and the Government's response to the proposals from the Secretary General of the United Nations? Mr Healey (chief Opposition appkesman on foreign and commonwealth affairs) has suggested that we should respond at once, and I hope Mrs Thatcher will give a full statement about it. Mrs Thatcher: Of course we are doing everything possible to pursue the diplomatic path to a negotiated settlement. There are two sets of proposals.

There is the one being pursued that the United Sections of proposals.

by the United States through Peru to which we have made a very constructive response and we hope to hear more about this today, but whether the Argentines will respond in the same way, we do not know.

The other is being pursued through the Secretary General.

Labour land

damage to the prospects of young people wishing to enter the agriculture industry than any

political party this century and were coatinuing to do so with their abourd, outdated policy of land nationalization, Mr Peter

tenancies. Mr Walker: We are continuing to

Mr Heddle: The commitments now given by the Labour Party to unionalize all tenanted farm land with minimal compensation will

dry up the sepply of farms. There is a need to continue the dialogue to emplore ways of finding farms and smallholdings to let on terms and conditions and rent which will meet the approval of landowners and tenants slike.

tenants alike Mr Walker: Yes, after all these years of reiterated land nationali-

zation proposals, I find it surprising and perhaps electoral-ly pleasing that the Labour Party

in its present form continues with that outdated and useless suggestion.

policy

attacked

AGRICULTURE

conflicting reports about the Argentine response to them but it seems clear that while they are very interested in a ceasefire they may not accept withdrawal and may do it on a totally different basis or require under-

takings about sovereignty. So there is some doubt about what they have said. They have probably said they are prepared to discuss it further with the

He asked about our posicion.
We welcome the ideas which the
Secretary General has put
forward and can accept them as a framework on which more specific proposals could be built. We are sending a message to the Secretary General today to that effect.

It would not be impossible, indeed it may well be likely, that the Argentines are concentrating on a ceasefire without with-drawal. That would be a very evident ploy to keep them in possession of their illgotten gains and we are right to be very, very wary of it. (Conservative cheers)

The whole of the mandatory resolution 502 has to be accepted and there can be no ceasefire unless it is accompanied by withdrawal which is fully and properly supervised. the Argentines are concentrating

Mr Foot: I understand it could well be the case. Conservative MPs: Agree then. Mr Foot: I understand that there

Mr Foot: I understand that there could be great ambiguity in the reply from the Argentine Government. Do the Secretary General's proposls include a linkage between withdrawal and a ceaselire and if so, that is presumably a reason why Mrs Thatcher has given a positive

answer.
I certainly welcome the tone she used in speaking about her response to the Secretary Genresponse to the Secretary General's suggestions. I hope very much that we can proceed slong those lines.

Can she respond on the earlier matter, on the diplomatic ex-

Can she respond on the earlier matter, on the diplomatic exchanges taking place? I am not referring to the Argentine Government but to her response.

Can she give an absolute assurace — the whole country would wish to see this — that there will be no deliberate escalation of military action (Conservative protests and Labour cheers) — escalation which could injure the prospects which appear to be much more hopeful of getting peace in this situation.

Mrs Thatcher: He asked about the Secretary General's pro-posals. It is for the Secretary General to say what they are. They are very much a framework and no specific details are attached.

would expect in view of Security Council Resolution 502. Beyond that there is no timing of practical arrangement but they are a basis for discussion. As for a change in the climate of diplomatic negotiations, that was not a justifiable comment. The Secretary General's proposals are the sixth set of proposals which I and my colleagues have pursued in detail over the past month. That is hardly a lack of diplomatic activity.

Mr Foot: I am much more

proposals.

Mrs Thatcher: Yes, they are framework proposals. We are making a positive response to them. We hope to hear more about the Peruvian-United States proposals today but I stress again that if any proposals are to be acceptable and if they are to work and command confidence, they must be precise as to timing, sequence and verification of events. (Conservative cheers)

Mr Peter Viggers (Gosport, C): the initial response of the United States Government may have given the impression to the Argentine leaders and the world that there is some justice in the

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aggression. That will assist the Argentine leaders and people to realize their true position.

the aggressor.

Cox: No escalation

interested in getting progress in discussions than in scoring any points off Mrs Thatcher. (Conpoints off Mrs Thatcher. (Conservative laughter). We who have urged all through the crisis that this kind of response should be made to approaches from the Secretary General have a right to say that.

I fully understand that these closed.

That same Government refused the plea of the Security Council not to invade, and the plea of President Reagan not to invade.

That same Government invaded and has been piling in soldiers and equipment in defiance of Resolution 502. That is the kind of Government we are dealing with. are procedural proposals, first, from the Secretary General, but I hope very much that the maximum possible support can be given in the next 24 hours or two or three days to those proposals.

> Mr Thomas Cox (Wandsworth, Tooting, Lab): The growing view expressed by the British people is that there must be no escalation of military activity on the Falkland Islands issue. (Con-servative interruption)

Against that background, is Mrs Thatcher prepared totally to repudiate those Conservative MPs and retired admirals and MPs and retired admirals and generals who appear on television, saying that, if need be, attacks must take place against the mainland of Argentine? Nothing would be more disastrous for a negotiated settlement or for the United Nations than that kind of action. (Labour cheers)

Mrs Thatcher: Mr Cox refers to no escalation but escalation while negotiations were taking place was by the Argentines in the invasion and there has been ln the meantime our British people remain on the islands in, as Mr Foot said on an earlier occasion, "brutal and foul occasion, "brutal and tout aggression". We must continue with our

realize their true position.

Mrs Thatcher: We have the total support of the United States which we would expect and always expected to have. I doubt whether their activities as a mediator, which we supportedand we are grateful to Mr Haig for what he did-would ever have led people to think that there was justice in the Argentine case.

The condemnation of Arzenmilitary activities. Again, it would be too easy to say that there should be no military The condemnation of Argentine was almost universal because they became an aggressor! When some remarks are made now, we must always remember they were activities during negotiations. And what would happen? We should be hamstrung. Our people would remain under the heel of the invader while Augentine increased their activithe aggressor.
Two days before the aggression, the same Mr Costa
Mendez going to the United
States, called in our ambassador ties on the mainland, increased supplies and reserves, in order to attack us at will.

it increasingly difficult to keep going and maintain exports. The British Equestrian Federation the British Horse Society, the

while I must agree about the historical role of the horse, only an insignificant number are used in agriculture in this country. Hence there is no justification for a change. The number used wholly or mainly for agricultural work is really quite insignificant.

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work is really quite insignificant. Sir Timothy. Kitson (Richmond, Yorks, C): Because of the activities of the French and Irish in the classification of their horses they have a tremendous tax advantage which we do not have in this country. At least they have worked something out satisfactorily, even if we do not know what they are doing. (Laughter). Mrs. Fenner: They may have evidence that they have more horses genuinely used for agricultural purposes, but we do not.



Viggers: American attitude

Mr J Page (Harrow, West, c) earlier asked will she find a few monents to listen to the radio and monents to listen to the radio and catch television and judge for herself if she feels that the British case on the Falklands is being presented in a way likely to confidence to our friends overseas and support and encouragement to our servicemen and their devoted families? (Coaservative cheers.)

Mrs Thatcher: Judging by many of the comments I have heard from people who watch and listen more than I do, many people are very, very concerned indeed that the case for our British forces is not being put over fully and effectively.

I understand there are times when it would seem that we and the Argentines are almost being treated as equal and most on an equal basis... I understand there are occasions when some com-mentators will say "If the British do something."

If this is so, it gives offence and causes great emotion among many people. (Conservative che-

Mr John Biffin, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House, in response to a question from Mr Foot, made it clear that he would arrange for a further debate or statement next week if the events in the South Atlantic made either necessary.

Mr Tony Benn (Bristol, South-East, Lab) said the House of Commons was entitled to be a factor in the Government's thinking and not just convened to discuss it when military and diplomatic events elsewhere diplomatic events make it convinient,

If the United Nations is to take over the Falklands after our men have died, why can we not debate this now before more men are killed?

Mr Biffen said he had indicated what further prospects there were for a debate.

it increasingly difficult to keep going and maintain exports. The British Equestrian Federation the British Horse Society, the British Horse Society, the British Horse Society, the British Horse sounceted with horses in any modest way want horses to be re-classified as agricultural animals.

Mrs Fenner; When he refers to classification in other countries agricultural animals.
Mrs Fenner, When be refers to classification in other countries classification in other countries it would be necessary to establish what each country understands by the term "agricultural ani
considered along with the industry has been obtained and this is being considered along with the industry.

> Sir Patrick Walt: The desperate straits facing deep water vessels is increased by the restrictions placed on their fishing. These vessels are very much part of the naval reserve, both ships and crews. When will these discussions be completed? There is lively time left. little time left.

Mr Bochanan-Smith said it was also important to bear in mind also important to bear in mind the present economic situation of the fishing industry. The higher landings, prices and earnings were factors which they must

were factors which they must take into account.

Mr Mark Hughes, an opposition spokesman (Durham, Lab): Even allowing for those factors, in the deep sea ports the level of indebtedness of the fishing industry and the interest rates that indebtedness is carrying

industry and the interest rates that indebtedness is carrying cannot be sustained even within those increases in prices.

Unless assistance is given to the deep water fleet it will desapear and it is no good saying that the price has gone up X and the volume Y if at the same time the basic econimics of the industry have been destoryed.

Mr Buchanan-Smith: I refute what he said. It is not right to ignore what is happening to earnings are concerned. That cannot be put on one side. Some deep sea companies have adapted their fishing methods and in recent months have had a number of extremely successful

Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab): Some of us are fed up to the back teeth with having all these Common Market names imported, like sheepmeat regimes, beefmeat regimes and now this idiotic idea that stems from all those who believe that the Common Market is great and beautiful. It is a load of nonsense and it is time that we stopped this business. How can we go on, on this basis? How can those checking the card at Chester be reading about agricultural animals? (Renewed laughter). voyages.

No finger can be pointed at this Government when the aid it has given over the past two years is something like £42m, a considerable amount of which went to the deep sea sector. went to the teep sea sector.

During other exchanges on the common fisheries policy Mr Buchanan-Smith said the next meeting of the EEC Council of the ECC and the season of the ECC council of the ECC coun

year the volume of landings in the six main fishing ports in England and Wales increased by 6 per cent, prices by 18 per cent Fisheries Minister was expected to be held this month. speedily to develop cooperative

Controversy at Epsom Downs over regulation of riding

statutory right to do so.

Lord Wigg (Lab) said that if Epsom ceased to be a training centre it would be the end of the

Derby, the most important race in the world.

He moved an amendment to Lord Melchett's instruction pro-viding that the requirements of the Epsom and Walton Downs

Plummer: Impossible to

available for the development and conservation of the downs free of any charge upon the miblic.

There were about 400 race horses at Epson. A considerable capital outlay had been undertaken to improve the quality of the

HOUSE OF LORDS

Due to increased pressure on the Epsom and Walton Downs, the promoters of the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Bill felt is was necessary to have felt is was necessary to have some greater control over owner hack riding, Lord Henley (C), said, when moving the second reading of the Bill in the House of Lords. The Bill's promoters, Epsom and Ewell District Council, seek powers to regulate hacks on the Downs.

to replace the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1936, which set out to give stantary recognition of the rights of the public to air and exercise over the Downs. The new Bill was more or less on the same lines, including any changes deemed necessary by the passing of time, and what might be necessary in the future. A balance had to be struck between the conflicting interests of the users of the

interests of the users of the Downs.

Epsom had a world-wide reputation as a training centre and racing centre. Epsom and Ewell District Council regarded it as their most famous industry which provided considerable local employment.

Remembering the importance of employment, the promoters were seeking powers to regulate hack riding, feeling that the continuation of training at Epsom would be in considerable jeopardy. It could be argued that racing at Epsom itself would be threatened.

The promoters were anxious that both racing, and particularly the Derby — Britain's most celebrated race — and training should be preserved, not merely in the interests of the racing industry but in the interests of the rest of the community.

Training was important to Epsom for employment. No one wanted to see training disappear if it would result in loss of jobs. Trainers paid large sums to maintain gallops and training areas over the Downs. Some other users did not.

This was not a dispute purely between the liberties of hack riders and the alleged privileges of the racing industry. The rights of many others users on the of many others users on the Downs should be considered.

He was not opposed to an instruction put on the order paper by Lord Melchett that the Committee considering the Bill should satisfy itself that it was in the public interest that the right of the public to have access on horseback to the Downs should be curtailed as proposed in the Bill.

Bill.

But he preferred an amendment to Lord Melchett's instruction, to be moved by Lord Wigg, that the requirements of the 1936 Act to preserve and control the use of the Downs for all users were recognized, but that at the same time, the continuance of racing at Epsom and, in particular, the maintenance of the Derby and the preservation of Epsom as a training centre for race horses was safeguarded.

Lord Melchett (Lab) said the problem with the Bill was that it restricted the rights of access to restricted the rights of access to those on foot only, by removing the general right of access, subject to the safeguards to racing and training, from those on horseback. It was an importon norsecock. It was an import-ant matter of public interest and it would be useful for the Committee to give particular attention to it.

Those who objected to this change said it was unacceptable that a public statutary right to ride at will over the Downs should be exchanged for per-mission to ride on certain tracks and areas only. It was detrimental to the

conservation of the Downs to restrict and channel riders into restrict and channel riders into particular narrow tracks used by a large number of riders, including race horses and vehicles, which damaged the surface of the Downs and was in nobody's interests.

The effect of his instruction was not to settle the matter under debate but to underline the importance of the point.

importance of the point. **Debate on** capital

punishment

Mr John Biffen, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House, confirmed that the Criminal Justice Bill would be considered next week and that on Tuesday there would be a debate on proposals for the restoration of capital punishment.

It will be the Government's intention (he said) to table a motion at the commencement of the debate on Tuesday to provide for a general debate on any new

for a general debate on any new clauses which may be selected on capital punishment and which will enable the House to come to of good industrial relations, and productive performance was beginning to spread. No group of workers had played a greater part in the last couple of years in strengthening that reputation than those at Llanwern and Port Telbot, who had made these

ways of helping provide invest-ment for small and growing firms. ment for small and growing firms.

I have given approval (he said) to the agency to set up a new subsidiary company which will offer mainly equity finance to small businesses! Full details will be announced next month, but the intention of the new subsidiary will be to offer a readily identifiable package of investments in a fairly standardized form together with a simplified procedure for application and assessment.

for further development and new-

Lord Jellicoe, the former conservative ministel, who is carrying out a review of the prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act intends to visit Belfast, Dover, Edinburgh, Gatwick Airport, glesgow, Hampshire, Heathrow Airport, Merseyside, New Scotland Yard, and Strantaer, Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, said in a written reply. He added that it would not be proper for him to provide precise details of the programme. In a further reply he said he hoped to present ord Jellicoe's report to Parlianent before the Act was due to layer next March.

Wigg: Derbythe most important race

Square. It is obvious that those who ride any other sort of horses ought to be presided to accept some restraints on their movements. He would support Lord Wigg's amendment.

Jellicoe visits

in review

of terrorism

The agency had experienced success with its new low integers loan service for small firms operated in co-operation with the European coal and steel continuity and a similar scheme was being introduced, funded by the European Investment Bank, which would cover all parts of Wales.

Wales.

These initiatives were likely to result in an increase in the level of WDA investment and there was about 15m funds available for investment in the current financial year.

financial year. Mr John Morris (Aberavon, Lab) said that in each of the three years this Covernment had been in power theistuation in Wales had got worse and worse withmore and more pnemployment;

The Government had managed to double themproved.

to double intemployment and reduce the mimber of people employed in Wales, a factor frequently overlooked.

A useful outlet for riders was to follow the hounds. Attempts by the Cooperative Society and various local councils to ban offence for people on horses to ride at will over the Downs, where previously they had a common law right and latterly a hunting on their land was an extremely unhelpful attitude.

Lord Kilmany (C) said he supported the amendment be-cause it would make Epsom safe for racing and for trainers.

Lord Rawlinson of Ewell (C) said it was important for Epsom to remain a centre of racing and he, too, would support Lord Wigg's proposals. the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1936, dealing with the rights of the public over the downs, to preserve and control the use of the downs for all users, were recognized, but that, at the same time, the continuance of racing at Epsom; and in particular the maintenance of the Derby and the preservation of Epsom as a training centre for race horses was safeguarded. Lord Plummer of St Marylebone (C), chairman of the Epsom and Walton Downs training ground management board, responsible for the gallops on the downs, said he supported the amendment which was crucial to racing and

which was crucial to racing and training at Epsom. It was regrettable that it had not been possible to reconcile the interests of trainers and backs.

Lord Auckdand (C) said Epsom and Ewell Council were unanimous in their promotion of the Bill. Epsom without the Derby would be like Samson without hair. The Bill would go a long way to giving a fair share, not only to those who took part in the Derby and horse racing, but all those who used Epsom and Walton Duwns for recreation.

The Earl of Ouslow (C) said Lord Wigg said that Lord Melchett was asserting that there was an explicit right at all times which should be continued for which should be continued for hack riders to go where they liked, when they liked and how they liked. If the Bill was given a second reading and his amendment was accepted, it would establish the rights of the trainers under properly controlled conditions, training and racing would continue, and money would be

Walton Downs for recreation.

The Earl of Onslow (C) said racing was the only sport which had the power to tax, through the Horse Race Betting Levy Board. Hack riders had no such benefits and had had no resist the encroachment of the racing fraternity on Epsom Downs for something like 100 years.

The racing industry was making an enormous fuss about something that was not there at all. People had their rights; and people's rights; should not be taken away from them unless there was a valid case for it.

The committee should look carefully into whether it was in the public interest that those rights; should be christiled, when the present arrangements seemed to be working perfectly satisfactorily.

Lord Westbury (C), a member of the Jockey Club, said he was deeply concerned to see the future of racing and training at Epsom, secured, particularly Derby Day. He was eccouraged that the people of Epsom, as represented by the council, shared his velws and those of the Jockey Club, to see racing retained at Epsom and that the training of racehorses remained a commercial proposition.

a commercial proposition.

He understood that trainers had offered concessions which had offered concessions which would go a long way to meeting the claims of the backers. The Bill would make a considerable contribution to the preserving of racing and training at Epsom, which was part of Britain's national heritage.

ken to improve the quality of the gallops.

You cannot have the said) alliwather gallops being used by valuable racehores, running within a few inchefor yards of people on backs. To do that is to invite disaster.

Lord Crawshaw (S said all the Bill was doing was in put on the statute book practices going on at present. The manal respect among those engaged in equestrian pursuits was fundamental. Therefore he regrested there was conflict between life equestrian interests.

Epsom was in the top five or six training centres in the country. The Essi of Avon, a Lord in . Waiting Government spokesman, said as, far as, the Government was aware, recing at Epsom and in particular the Derby would continue as it had always done. The Government hiew of no intention to abandon or disrupt country.

The training of birses (he said) is a precise science. You would not expect Sebastia. Coe to do his training around. Trafalgar

intention to abandon or usrupt Epsom as a training centre for-recehorses.

The Government had no objection in principle to the proposals set out in the Bill to control the access of horse riders. It was content for matters concerning the manufement of riders. It was content for matters concerning; the management of the Downs to be considered in committee when the premoters and petitioners could put forward their views in detail and the case could be fully considered.

The Bill was read a second time:

Lord Wigg's amendment was carried by 92 votes to 33—majority, 59; Lord Melchett's instruction, thus amended, was agreed to.

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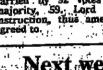
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Next week

The main business in the House The main business in the House of Commons next week will be:
Monday: Northern Ireland Bill, second reading.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: Criminal Justice Bill, completion of remaining stages. On Thursday as well, Greater Loudon Council (Money) Bill, second reading.
Friday: Private Members' Bills: Relief from Forfiture. Bill, report Hearing Aid Council Act 1968 (Amendment) Bill, second reading.
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The main business in the House of Lords will be: Monday: Local Government Finance (No 2) Bill, committee, first day. Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill, committee free and day. rousing behavior and Gas (Enterprise) Bill, committee, second day. Social Security and housing Benefits Bill, committee, third day.

Wednesday: Debates on world

Wednesday: Debates on world population and on care of children. Children's Homes Bills second reading. Thursday: Local Government Finance (No 2) Bill, committee, second day. Friday: Food and Drugs (Amendment) Bill, second reading. Mr Tom Hoosen (Brecon and Radner, C) said people in mid-Wales would be looking for some support: of the concept of a

recovery programme over a period of years. Reversing the trend of a century could not be achieved quickly. Parliament today Commons (9.30): Private Members' Bills: Cinematograph Bill-third reading; Firearms; Bill-report; Gaming (Amendment)

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Mr Norman Buchan, chief Cpposition spokesman on agri-culture, fisheries and food (West Renfrewshire Lab): It is an extraordinary situation for the Government to find itself in when they believe they have the correct policy on the issue but are afraid to bring it in without the permission of the Opposition. If Mr Walker wishes to give up his rights and privileges on that bench, we are willing to take them over.

he got that strange view from. I wish to improve the landlord and tenancy situation in order to

tenancy situation in order to enable young farmers to go into the industry and in no way am I under the influence of the Opposition.

What I have always said is that it is disastrous for young people wishing to go into farming in this country that the Labour Party is so persistently ruining any chance of reform in this area. They continue to do so — I am sorry they continue to do so — I am sorry they continue to do so — I am and hope one day they will change their view. land nationalization, Mr Peter Walker, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said during questions in the Commons. Mr John Headle (Lichfield and Tamworth, C) had asked if Mr Walker would bring forward proposals to reform the law of agricultural holdings for the specific purpose of stimulating the granting of new farm tenancies.

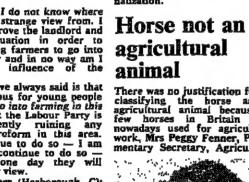
Mr Walker: I have no doubt after the substantial defeat of the Labor Party at the next election, things will be different. Mr Buchan: His first proposition, was that they were willing to bring in modified tenancy agreebring in modified tenancy agreement with the NFU and the landowner's association but it could not be done unless we agreed. As for his remarks about public ownership, if there is one way in which to secure an increase in the number of

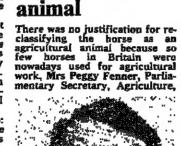
increase in the number of tenancies, it is through substan-tial expansion of public owner-

Mr Walker: The Labour Party have done more damage to the prospects of young people wishing to enter the agriculture industry than any political party this century, and they continue to do so in their absurd outdated suggestion of land nationalization. The Government will endeavour to improve the situendeavour to improve the situ-ation now, knowing the Labour Party has no interest other than old doctrinnaire views on natio-

sorry they continue to do so — and hope one day they will change their view.

Mr John Farr (Harborough, C): Because of the mechanics of the situation, if legislation was introduced today it is unlikely a single tenancy would be available as a result of it.







Walker: Trying to

help young farmers

Fisheries and Food, said at

Fisheries and Food, said at question time.

Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing, North, C) said: The present situation is illogical, sad and damaging to man's oldest friend, the horse, on whose back our country's history was substantially built.

The situation in other European countries where the horse is classified, rightly, as an agricultural animal means that our horse breeders are having to face unfair competition and find

More help for small

businesses

WALES

There was a widespread feeling There was a widespread feeling of bopelessness and despair in Wales not only among the unemployed who saw the prospects of work no nearer, but also among the employed who saw the number of jobs diminishing and wondered when their turn would have the beautiful. Jones, chief opposition spokes-man on Wales (Rhondda, Lab) said in opening a debate on the economic and employment prospects in Wales. There were 171,000 men and women out of work in Wales today and with one in six in the

dole queue it meant there was nowhere in Scotland or any of the regions of England where memployment was at such a Excluded from these figures were the number of unemployed school leavers which amounted to 7,973 and that did not take account of the 12,791 who were on YOP courses who would soon be needing more permanent jobs. The increase in unemployment among school leavers in the last two years had been 73 per cent.

These young people needed every possible encouragement of training and facilities to find work, but it was ironic that if they voluntarily attended a college of further education for more than 21 hours a week—including lunch time and time for private study—they would lose private study — they would lose supplementary benefit. These were not scroungers or ness were not scroungers of workshy people, but youngsters trying to do something to do to improve their prospects. Next year similar young people would be compelled to accept places on Government training schemes if they did not want to lose their standards try benefit.

Fish landing up in first

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supplementary benefit. Did the Government really believe that unrestrained private enterprise would solve the unemployment problems because there was no shred of evidence to support that either pre-war or post-war?

The only hope of jobs for the unemployed in Wales was Labour's alternative economic Labour's alternative ecomomic strategy. It was a plan for sustained economic growth over five years to bring unemployment in Wales down at least 100,000.

Preservation of jobs was the key to survival in Wales. The Government should restored area status, to least, to the area covered by the Development Board for Rural Wales. It should consider modifying

It should consider modifying and changing the way in which it paid out regional development grants. It should keep a close watch on developments affecting the coal mining in Wales and act

Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said it might of State for wates, said it might have been thought that Mr Jones, speaking for the Opposition would have tried to spell out Labour's proposals, but all he had to say was that a Labour government would introduce its alternative economic strategy.
That was the single phase that
was supposed to remove hopelessness and fear

Respect and fear

Every time governments had tried to deal with the upward trend of unemployment by spending more and borrowing more the result had been higher inflation. There was nothing new in what the Opposition was advocating, except doing it on an even more profligate scale than before.

before.

Despite substantial restructuring in basic industries that were previously exceptionally important in Wales, the increase in unemployment there since 1979 had still not been as great as that in the country as a whole and had been much less than than in some other regions such as West Midlands. Redundancies had dropped. Redundancies would continue and in the coming months there would be closures and rationalization which would

cause severe problems for particular localities. But equally he was confident there would be major expansion projects, too. The character of the Welsh conomy had altered. The record

than those at Llanwern and Port Talbot who had made those plants among the most efficient in the whole of Europe.

He did not see the Tourist Board, the Development Board fr Rural Wales and the Weish Development Agency as the only means for Welsh economic recovery. They had an essential part to play in partnership with industrial trusts, private industrial developments and enterprises such as Mercury which apart es such as Mercury which apart from the service is proposed to offer was already stimulating British Telecom into an entirely

new spirit of enterprise.

The partner would also involve local government and the univer-sities and he proposed to hold discussions shortly with representatives from industry, local government, universities, the private sector and the trade union movement about further cooperative ventures. The private sector should have

an increasing role to play in the partnership with the Welsh Development Agency acting as a catalyst. He had asked the agency to give thought to a long-term strategy and had discussed with the board a working paper to develop its ideas. to develop its ideas.

The agency had been re-examining its—investment function and it believed there was room

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Gaps in air cover gave Sheffield only a few seconds

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UN initiative

Major obstacles

still unresolved

From Zoriana Pysaciwsky, New York, May 6 The positive response from results. An initiative taken

the framework for peace in has the risk of becoming the Falkland Islands put mired in the different politiforward by Senor Perez de cal shadings that are an Cullar, the United Nations integral part of the United Nations and this could ited

Cullar, the United Nations
Secretary-General, acknowledges his role in a possible settlement, but does not bring prospects closer for an immediate solution to the crisis.

In their acceptance of the Secretary-General's "good offices" the Governments of Review and Argentina today or the sec-

Britain and Argentina today predetermined, for the Secfailed to resolve major differ-retary-General's initiative to ences over the crucial issues succeed.

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will have to surmount major. dalities of withdrawal, the obstacles if he is to succeed terms of an interim administration, and plans for long term United Nations involve-

in his peace efforts.

British sources say that the term United Nations involveUnited Nations ideas offer no ment in negotiations over
more than a skeletal outline sovereignty.

Meanwhile Britain has

the Secretary-General pro- absence of armed exchanges ceeds with his efforts. They in the previous 24 hours was

World's opinion

delivered its formal response to Señor Pérez de Cuellar and a spokesman said that the

an encouraging sign for the diplomatic efforts now un-

derway. Although Argentina's reac-

tion yesterday had raised hopes of a breakthrough. It was clear that the Argentine Government in its reply was

even less specific than Bri-

might be useful in bringing about an end to the crisis which need to be filled in as

appear at the moment to offer only a face-saving mechanism should the two

parties agree the time is ripe for a settlement, and officials

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under United Nations auspices and a United Nations administration on the islands while talks continue. They are strikingly similar to the Peruvian proposals, but diplomats feel that a United Nations framework for peace is more beneficial to Argentina than to Britain.

The Pope sent a message to

Senor Javier Perez Perez de Cuellar, the United Nations

secretary General, yesterday encouraging him in his efforts to settle the Falklands

crisis, Renter reports from

A telegram signed by cardinal Agostino Casaroli, the Vatican Secertary of State, said the Pope was deeply worried about "the tragic news from the South Atlantic, where the military conflict is ever worsening.

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The telegram said that the Pope hoped that the United Nations action would receive "a favourable reception" from Britain and Argentina and was "ardently praying" for this aim.

Criticism by Mr John
Lehman, United States Navy
Secretary, of the lack of air
cover over the British task
force was causing some wry
smiles yesterday among Fleet
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to retain bigfixed-wing carriers in the Royal Navy 16
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Airborne Early Warning (AEW) aircraft from the carrier would have detected the Etendard in advance, electronic warfare planes would have hammed its radar and F14 Tomcats with their Phoenix missiles would have shot it down.

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30,000 and peer up to 300 miles over the horizon.

Britain, fed up by waiting for its Nato partners to make up their minds, went ahead on its own and commissioned 11 new British Aerospace. Nimrod AEW aircraft — a variant of the successful Nimrod maritime reconnaissance planes - which will do a similar job over the North Sea, integrating with the other AWACS force to the South. (A memorandum of understanding formalizing the integration of the two

seeking submarines beneath it. Even when they do come

Even when they do come into service the Nimrod AEW planes would find it hard to operate above the task force. Although their performance characteristics have not been published they are thought to be similar to those of the AWACS which can remain si hours on patrol 1,000 miles from base. But Ascension Island is 3,500 miles away, which would seem to make continuous land-based AEW surveillance over the fleet impractible.

Without any big carriers, shipborne AEW or land-based AEW aircraft to extend his antennae what else can Admiral Woodward do? Some industrial sources yesterday were complaining that if the Government had not given the radar contract for the new lightness to be sourced to the source that t new lightweight Seawolf to Marconi, the Navy would have been able to use the

Dutch Signaal radar (which is ready for use) and installed the anti-missile missile — optimised to deal with seaskimming missiles — much earlier than is now likely. Certainly there will be pressure to speed up and extend the Sea Wolf programme.

But again this is not likely to comfort the task force as it weighs up the options following the Sheffield disaster. The most likely conclusion they will come to is that whatever happens to the diplomatic process, they should avoid exposing their ships unnecessarily to Argentine aircraft and missile-firing vessels until the container ship Atlantic Conveyor arrives with 20 more Harriers. These will not provide a complete answer to the problem of how to win air supremacy but they might contribute towards it.

Henry Stanhope

Nott insists EEC and Nato still behind UK

From Ian Murray, Brussels, May 6

Nato and the EEC remain solidly behind Britain in its efforts to force Argentina to withdraw its troops from the Falkland Islands, according to Mr John Nott, the British Minister of Defence.

In a tough, uncompromis-ing statement issued after a session with the Nato defence minister here, Mr Nott promised that Britain's efforts to find a peaceful solution would not falter but that a

would not falter but that a precondition was Argentine withdrawal in accordance with the United Nations Security Council Resolution 502.

"If we have a ceasefire without Argentine withdrawal," he said, "democracy will have surrendered to aggression and the aggressor will be in possession of his spoils.

with be in possession of his spoils.

The was no hint in what Mr Nott had to say of any slakening of support for Britain. He was "greatly heartened" by a statement issued in the morning by the Nato European members of the alliance; which condemned alliances which condemned Argentina's armed invasion and failure to comply with the Security Council resol-ution; noted the importance of maintaining the principle that aggression or occupation of territory should not be allowed to succeed and urged the need to seek a negotiated settlement.

In answer to questions, he later said he felt confident that there would be a renewal of sanctions against Argen-tion by the EEC if they were needed. The sanctions come and Mr Nott said he hoped that a solution would be possible before then.

He would not be drawn into any discussion on the large terms solution.

long term solution beyond saying it was recognized in London that there might have to be a transitional arrange-ment after the Argentine withdrawa!.

The economic sanctions together with the naval pressure, he said, "provided tha only hope of bringing about a peaceful and long term solution which preserves the important prin-ciples for which the Western

alliance stands".

Questioned later on this, he said: "My own belief is that there will not be a solution to this crisis if Britain is not prepared to keep up pressure to pursue its military presence. We are More than 20 Conservative dealing with a military junta and so far — I emphasize so several senior members of the party, tabled a Commons motion yesterday calling for stand anything but "whatever measures should prove necessary" to eliminate the capacity of the Argentine forces to inflict unacceptable losses on the

Mr Nott was careful to try to put the dispute into a North Atlantic context. The Nato response, he said, "provided irrefutable evidence of the strength of our commitment to the same ideals". It also represented a concrete expression of the growing recognition in Nato that Western interests were not limited to the treaty area.

"This is not to say there can be any deflection on our part from the alliance's primary purpose, which is to deter the Soviet threat." The Falklands crisis, he said, in an important sense had strengthened the allied determent in showing the solidarity. rent in showing the solidarity
of the countries and in
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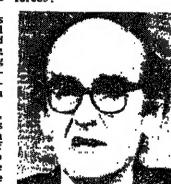
readiness and effectiveness". Mr Nott was aggressively defensive about the sinking of the Argentine cruiser the General Belgrano. Its threat to the task force, he said, "was such that the task force commander could ignore it

only at his peril".

He denied vehemently that Britain was the aggressor.
"It was only by the grace of God", he said, "that we did not have a lot of our people killed when they initially lavaded the Falkland Islands." lands."

Asked about the slowness in confirming who the casu-alties on board the Sheffield were, Mr Nott said that as the survivors had been spread out among the fleet and as ships were, for their own safety, observing radio silence, it was not easy to obtain precise information. This would be released as soon as it was obtained.
"I need hardly say that the

sad losses that have occurred have strengthened our resolve to achieve the important aim we have set ourselves of ejecting the Argentinian



Tory MPs

say hit

air bases

By George Clark

British fleet, the obvious implication is that air bases on the Argentine mainland should be bombed to remove the threat of missile or bomb

The motion was tabled by
Mr Ian Lloyd, chairman of
the Select Committee on
Energy and MP for Havant
and Waterloo, near Portsmouth. Its main sponsors
include Sir Anthony Kershaw
(Strong) chairman and

(Stroud), chairman of the Select Committee on Foreign

and Commonwealth Affairs;

and Commonweath Artars; Sir William Clark (Croydon, South), chairman of the backbenchers' finance com-mittee; Sir Patrick Wall (Haltemprice) a former offic-

er or the party's defence committee, and Sir Frederic Bennett (Torbay).

The motion commends the

efforts of the Government to persuade the international

community that it cannot endure if the unilateral use of force to achieve national objectives is tolerated. It then points out that "some elements in that community"

have never accepted that view, and "are more likely to be persuaded by the success of British arms than im-

pressed by the consequences of undue restraint leading to the loss of such ships as HMS Sheffield".

attacks from the air.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence Lewin (left) Chief of the Defence Staff and General Bernard Rogers, Nato's European commander, sign the memorandum of understanding that integrates 11 Nimrod aircraft into Nato's early warning forces. Looking on (left to right) are United States Admiral Harry Train, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe; USAF Major-General Leighton Palmerton, NAEW Commander, and Netherlands Vice Admiral J. H. Scheuer, representing the Connander-in-Chief, Channel.

MoD gives reasons for hold-ups

By Stewart Tendler

peace proposals.

The United Nations proposals include, in general terms, provisions for a withdrawal by the British Fleet and Argentine transparent from the British delegate, told reporters, the reply was entered and Argentine transparent from the British Special Control of the British Grant Control of the British delegate, told reporters, the reply was entered and control of the British delegate, the special control of the British Grant Control The report of the Board of Inquiry set up on South Georgia to look into the and Argentine troops from substantial and constructive. the Falklands to be possibly "It addresses all the Seconesce-keepers of observers, peace-keepers of observers, magniations on ultimate sovantial and constructive. The Falklands to be possibly "It addresses all the Seconesce-keepers of observers, and the Seconesce and the Seconesc circumstances of the death of an Argentine after the cap-ture of the island is on its way back to Britain, the Ministry of Defence said yesterday.

have given a brief response, accepting in principle the Secretary-General's role, But deciding against commenting A spokesman said no comment could be made about the inquery until the papers reached Whitehall. The dead man, believed to be administration on the islands while talks continue. They are strikingly similar to the Peruvian proposals, but diplomats feel that a United Nations framework for peace is more beneficial to Argentina than to Britain.

This is because any initiative which springs from the Western hemisphere involving OAS powers, be they Peru or the United States, is more likely to produce quick deciding against commenting specifically on the various tideas.

With the acceptance of both sides, the Security Council has gone into private consultations to pick up where they left off yesterday. Ireland, which had requested a meeting, now appears to have backtracked and sources say it realizes a call for a ceasefire would only play into the hands of Argentina. a sailor, was buried in Grytviken cemetery. Also on their way back to Britain could be pictures of the recent actions at sea and the first attack on Port Stanley

The Ministry of Defence has been criticized for allowing the Argentines to get widespread newspaper and television coverage of their own pitures which accompenied claims that the runway at Port Stanley airfield had not been damaged. tion to the Falklands invasion, and Mr Rudolf Gnaegi, the former Defence Minister, tokd the Zurich Blick: "The English are fully in the right, but one thing is absolutely certain: they will lose the Falklands to the Argentines in case. What happens now has become a matter of prestige to England."

Yesterday the ministery said that no pictures had arrived from either South Georgia, retaken almost two weeks ago, or the main task force. Pictures taken by official photographers and the Press Association have to be sent to Ascension Island 4,000 miles from the Falklands and then flown back to Britain.

At the moment ships were engaged in operational tasks, the ministry said. "Oper-ational" pictures had arrived in London, but these were used for intiligence purposes and were not normally refound that reports from their correspondents are being delayed by defence officials.

Three essential elements

Peru's solution called for 72-hour truce

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, May 6

The central feature of the The central feature of the Peruvian peace initiative for resolving the Falklands crisis — which at present appears to be the front-runner of various diplomatic solutions — is a call for a immediate 72-hour ruce, according to Señor Fernando Schwalb, the Peruvian Ambassador in Peruvian Ambassador in Washington and the country's forst Vice-President.

A truce would be followed by a withdrawal of Argentine and British forces from the

area after which negotiations would be held on the ultimate status of the Islands. The negotiations would probably be held under United Nations

auspices.
"The main priority is to arrange a ceasefire," Señor Schwalb told The Times in an interview. "Once there is peace one can start to talk about the substance of the problem.

After initial disinterest, the After initial disinterest, the British are now taking considerable interest in the proposals which President Belaunde Terry first submitted last weekend. The British say that the Peruvian plan, which is more general and contains fewer details than the proposals put forward by the proposals put forward by Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, includes the therr elements which Britain regards as essential for a peaceful settlement.

Thesr are: A withdrawal of forces; an interim administration with international participation:

According to Señor Schwalb, the Argentines, after initially rejecting the Peruvian proposals, are also showing renewed interest in them. The Argentine rejection, he explained, was based on a misunderstanding. The Argentines at first believed that Peru was simply passing. on Mr Haig's proposals to Buenos Aires "but we subse-quently made clear this is quently made clear this is our own set of proposals." Senor Schwalb, who is in constant touch with President Belaunde, said the Peruvian ideas were first given to Mr Haig last Saturday. They were also presented to the British Ambassador in Lima at the same time. They were then discussed with Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, during his talks with Mr Haig on Sunday.

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However, at that stage, according to the ambassador, Mr Pym did not show much interest in the Peruvian ideas. It was only after Mr Pym's return to London and the sinking of the Argentine and British ships that the British began seriously to regard the Peruvian plan as the basis for a diplomatic solution.

The proposed ceasefire would be in two stages. The first stage would last 24 hours and would allow both sides time to inform their forces to stop shooting. The second would last for 48 hours during which time, it is hoped, arrangements could be made for a withdrawal of

It goes on : It goes on : "This House ... concludes that the recapture of the Falk lands now justifies whatever immediate measures should prove necessary to eliminate the capacity of Agentine forces to inflict unacceptable losses on the British fleet and notes that [the Government's] objectives have not ment's objectives have not changed their character or changed their character or justification since it obtained the virtually unanumous support of Parliament for its Falklands Islands policy".

Talklands Islands policy".

The call for necessary measures comes immediately after a reference to the attack on HMS Sheffield which was hit by a French-built Exocot missile believed to have been fired from a Super-Etendard aircraft operating from a land base.

The list of signatures

Admiral John Woodward, the current situation must seem as tricky as some of the mathematical problems he solves for a hobby. The attack on the Sheffield has demonstrated the capabilities of the Argentine Air Force and served as a warning to Royal Navy warships which venture too close to the islands.

While control of the sea seems feasible, despite the Argentine submarines possibly to be in the area dominating the skies against a numerically superior enemy could prove one of the hardest problems of the war.

Diplomatic flurry

Allies' pessimism worries Whitehall

By David Cross and Denis Taylor

the recent clashes around the Falklands by assuring them that a peaceful settlement is still its main priority.

While officially claiming that they remain unperturbed by pessimistic voices from European capitals, particularly Bonn, after the sinking of the Argentine cruiser, Whitehall officials must have been deenly concerned by the been deeply concerned by the apparent weakening of sup-port for Britain's case.

But they were greatly heartened yesterday by the strong backing from strong backing from Britain's European partners in Nato. A communique issued by European defence ministers emphasized "the importance of maintaining the properties of the companion of the compa the principle that aggression or occupation of territory by force should not be allowed to succeed.'

to succeed."
One Whitehall official argued that all West European countries, including Britain, were bound to have problems with public opinion once real hostilities had broken out. But, he said, this was insufficient reason for the British Government to be deflected from its resolve to ensure that an aggressor did not keep his spoils.

Diplomatic activity to try

Diplomatic activity to try to resolve the conflict without more loss of life was speeded up yesterday in various capitals of the Americas. In Lima, the Peruvians were urged by Britain to step

The British Government up their lobbying in Buenos has responded to the growing concern among its American asking the Peruvians to use and European allies about their good offices to per-the recent clashes around the suade Argentina to accept a revamped set of proposals which had the full backing of the United States.

The latest suggestions, which were regarded as important in London, were said to cover three essential points — the mechanics of an Argentine withdrawal from ment of an interim administ-ration with some inter-national participation; and negotiations for a long-term solution to the dispute without prejudging the question

of sovereignty.

The proposals originated with President Fernando Belaude Terry of Peru and were subsequently refined by Mr Alexander Haig, the American secretary of state. Mr Francis Pym, the British Foreign Secretary, has also contributed ideas the package, which is said to be much simpler than that originally floated by Mr Haig during his first peace mission.

The United States and Britain have felt the need to use the good offices of the Peruvians since Washington came down firmly on the side of Britain last week. It was

still not clear yesterday how effective their intervention might be in Buenos Aires.

Less support, poll shows

By Lucy Hodges

Support for the Government's handling of the Falklands crisis has dropped this week, according to a MORI poll conducted for The Economist and released yesterday.

Only 71 per cent of the sample now say they are satisfied with Mrs Margaret Thatcher and her colleagues' handling of the crisis, compared with 76 per cent last week. Twenty five per cent are now dissatisfied compared with 20 per cent last week.

News of the destruction of the destroyer Sheffield came while the noull form a sample previously

the destroyer Sheffield came from a sample previously while the poll was being interviewed in person.

D Brussels: The European Parliament's 124-member Socialist group has called for an immediate Falklands ceasefire and a negotiated settlement based on United for this aim. Geneva: Swiss newspapers ment based on Nations Security Council have criticized British reac- Resolution 502. Bean eaters earn the fleet's respect

From John Witherow, on board HMS Invincible

tedly been a growing feeling of confidence in the task force which received a sharp jolt from Tuesday's losses.
The surprise attack in which
Super-Etendard jets evaded
the fleet's defences has shaken any complacency about the competence of

The Finan: und Wirtschaft

said: "The sense of pro-portion Churchill advocated seems to have been lost."

Because of the setbacks, Invincible went on action stations from dawn to dusk the next day. The ship now more or less lives for action stations, aware that vigilance can mean survival in this inreasingly vicious and complicated battle in the South Atlantic. The aircraft carrier Atlantic. The aircraft carrier is sealed up and at full alert for long periods, with the boredom only interrupted by moments of acute alarm.

This undoubtedly reached Argentina's Air Force.

The attack showed considerable planning, skill and knowledge of the position of the fleet and an ability to respond rapidly to the British successes of previous days, including the sinking of a cruiser. One Harrier pilot on Invincible, talking about the shooting down of a colleague

This undoubtedly reached warships do not have armour plating, unlike the old battle-ships, taking the view that the ships, taking the view that the officers wardroom, ready for ditching overboard to reduce the risk of fire.

Apart from the klaxon which heralds action stations, the other dreaded and increasingly frequent and This undoubtedly reached its zenith on Tuesday, when

One of the first reactions to the news of the destruction of the Sheffield came from a shrewd petty officer: "These guys are a lot better than we gave them credit for." Everone thought we were taking on a bunch of bean eaters but now they realize they are up against a well equipped outfir", he said.

While many would claim they never underestimted the Argentines, there has undoutedly been a growing feeling of confidence in the task than survival in this site street than the Hermes over the commented: the members on the deck along with everyone else.

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The comment from a mean't it is the mearby crewman that "if it hits you won't know anything about it" was far from reassuring. When an antimisel screen was fired from stations from dawn to dusk the next day. The ship now more or less lives for action means in our notebooks of action messing. The craze has become infectious and crewman now included "terrifying" and action working dress. The craze has become infectious and crewman now included "terrifying" and action working dress. The craze has become infectious and crewman now included "terrifying" and action working dress.

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The sense of vulnerability is impossible to avoid because of the confinement in closed quarters and the relative lack of protection provided by the hull. Modern warships do not have armour their public, the old hattle-

tious and crewman now knock off for an action smoke.
All this makes the cock-

tails on the quarterdeck in the tropics seem another existence. That same quarter-deck of the Invincible is now

intercept Argentine jets. Figures buffeted by an icy wind and wearing combat clothing and Balaclava helmets struggle to refuel and tend to the valuable machines which form such a vital part of the task force's protective Across on the Hermes,

Across on the Hermes, which flies the flag of Rear-Admiral John Woodward, the current situation must seem as tricky as some of the mathematical problems he solves for a hobby. The attack on the Sheffield has demonstrated the capabilities of the Argentine Air Force and served as a warning to

osses are greater

By David Cross

In the month since the invasion of the Falklands various battles and other incidents have already cost both Argentina and Britain many casualties. Exactly how many is impossible to calculate at this stage, largely because battle claims from Buenos Aires are so unre-

It is almost certainly the case, however, that more Argentines have died and suffered injuries than Britons. The following account of events gives some idea of losses on both sides to date. April 2. The Argentine invasion of the Falkland Islands cost Buenos Aires the life of at least one officer. Mr life of at least one officer. Mr Rex Hunt, the Governor of the Falklands, claimed that at the Falklands, claimed that at least five, and possibly 15 Argentines were killed and another 17 wounded in the battle. Both the British and Argentine Governments agreed that there were no British casualties.

April 3. Argentina said that three of its man died in its

April 3. Argentina said that three of its men died in its invasion of South Georgia but a young Royal Marine officer claimed that between 10 and 15 Argentine commandos were killed and at least 20 more wounded by his men. There were no British losses

April 23. A British crewman on board a Sea King helicop-ter was drowned during an exercise as the task force steamed into increasingly rough weather in the South

Atlantic.

April 25. During the battle to retake South Georgia only one casualty was reported by the British. This was an Argentine sailor on board the submarine Santa Fe, who suffered a severe leg injury. The Argentine authorities claimed that British troops suffered dozens of casualties

in the operation. April 26. One of the Argentine prisoners in South Georgia being held by the British died in what was described as a "serious incident".

May 1. The British bombing of Port Stanley airfield and the Goose Green airstrip on the Falklands cost an un-known number of Argentine lives. President Galtieri ad-mitted only that many lives had been lost during the hostilities up to this date. The British claimed that two Argentine Mirages and one Argentine Canberra had been

shot down.
One British seaman, Ian
Britnell of Teignmouth,
Devon, was wounded when he was struck in the chest by shrapnel on Board one of the ships of the task force. The Argentines admitted that two

May 2 and 3. An unknown number of Argentine lives were lost when the Argentine cruiser, General Belgrano, was hit by British torpedoes May 4. — Twenty officers and men on board the British destroyer Sheffield were missing, presumed dead when it was hit by an Argentine Exocet anti-ship missile. The pilot of a British Sea Harrier died when his aircraft was shot down dur-ing new raids on Port Stanley airport. Argentine casualties in the fresh raids on the airfield are still unknown.

Argentine Weapons firms certain to profit

By Clive Cookson

Whatever the Falklands outcome, Britain's weapons manufacturing business will benefit, judging from the London Stock Exchange, where share prices of compa-nies with defence interests have on the whole outper-formed the market over the past month.

The argument, in over simplified form, is that if Britain comes out on top the country will be in a more militaristic mood and the Government will increase defence spending at a faster rate than the 3 per cent a year to which it is already committed. And if the worst happens there will be a second or to replace hun-

committed. And if the worst happens there will be a requirement to replace hundreds of millions of pounds worth of lost equipment, and probably political pressure to make up inadequacies in Britain's defences.

Five large companies dominate Britain's electronic weapons industry: British Aerospace, GEC (including Marconi). Ferranti, Plessey and Racal. The sector was concentrated further last month when British Aero space (BAe) bought Sperry Gyroscope, the navigation, mines and underwater warfare specialist, for £45m.

In 1981 BAe sold £751m worth of military aircraft and £346m worth of guided weapons out of a total turnover of £1,660m. Sales of civil aircraft were worth only £332m, and on the whole, the military side of the business is more profitable than making airlines.

BAe manufactures the Sea Harriers, on which the Falk lands task force depends for air cover, and the guided weapons (including the shiplaunched Sea Dart and Seawolf and the helicopter-launched Sea Skua) that are its most modern firepower.

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Like the other weapons manufacturers, BAe will not comment officially on the likely effect of the Falklands conflict on its order book. "It wouldn't be proper to say anything at the moment," a spokesman said. spokesman said.

GEC-Marconi is the leading supplier of guidance systems for the BAe missiles and of the radar equipment with which the task force tracks Argentine aircraft and ships. The main hardware manufactured by Marson in the tured by Marconi is the Tigerfish torpedo fitted to the task force submarines. One torpedo can cost nearly £500,000.

Warships are built for the Navy by the state-owned British Shipbuilders at yards which still bear the names of their former private owners such as Vickers, Vosper Thorneycroft and Yarrow. Last year the Government announced that there would be no more orders for Type 42 destroyers (the class to which HMS Sheffield belonged) but the Yarrow yard on Clydeside recently won a £120m contract for a Type 2

frigate. British Shipbuilders had warned their workers that up to 25,000 jobs would be lost because of the naval curs planned by the Government before the Falklands crisis. It is towns like Barrow, where warship building is a leading occupation, that may see a slim silver lining in the South Atlantic war clouds.

Taxes and prices shoot up

Señor Average pays for the war bills

From Christopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, May 6

of emergency measures desigued to prop up the country's faltering economy and to finance the fighting.

Argentina, despite an in-flation rate hovering around 200 per cent, remains one of the most prosperous countries in Latin America, or, perhaps more correctly, one of the least poor. But from this morning the hard-pressed working man had to work a little longer for basic

The shops are bulging with washing machines, dish-washers, technological gadgets and Japanese electronic paraphernalia, but from today they will cost more and will gradually become in short supply because of devaluation and controls over the import of non-essential

As part of the economic measures Senor Roberto Alemann, the Economy Minister, devalued the peso by 16.6 per cent, making 14,000 pesos worth a dollar. Five weeks ago, it was 9,000 to the dollar and only on Tuesday the banks were giving 12,000

street will gladly give at least receives a token 150,000 18,000 pesos for a dollar. The flow of private money out of savings accounts soldier,

The war in the South continues unchecked and Atlantic today hit the peso in three Argentine banks have the pocket of every Argentine. The price of cigarettes, petrol, liquor and all imported goods were sharply waves through the Bolsa, the stock exchange.

Today, however, the Bolsa joyfully received news of Senor Alemann's package and there was an across the board increase in share quotations, especially of exporting company shares.

His package includes in-centives for industrial exporters, suspension of the imports of luxury goods, imports of luxury goods, initially for 45 days, and a 1,000 peso tax on every dollar in foreign exchange transactions or in export deals. The extra taxes on fuel,

amounting to 30 per cent on petrol, will be channeled directly to financing the war in the Falklands. The measure is also expected to reduce domestic consump-tion, creating an additional surplus for export. At the same time, export

duties on certain raw materials will be reduced slightly, certainly by no more than five per cent, to lower the costs of domestic industrial production.

It is all gloomy news for Señor Average in Argentina, though somehow the middle classes manage to survive for a dollar.

But hardly anybody with foreign currency goes to the banks to exchange it for a mere 3,000,000 pesos (£139) pesos. Every hotel porter, a month, a school teacher arman, popkeeper, and gets even less at 2,000,000 indeed most people in the (£93). A conscripted soldier French-language schools unless one of their parents was educated in English in pesos (£7) a month against 4,000,000 paid to a regular Quebec.

Search for compromise

Reagan budget clears its first hurdle

From Bailey Morris, Washington, May 6

cleared the first important hurdle in his second drive to achieve a budget compromise by mobilizing Senate Republi-cans behind a new. 1983

1983, was hammered out at a White. House meeting between Mr Reagan's senior advisers and Senate leaders including Mr Howard Baker, the majority leader, and Mr Peter Domenici, chairman of the budget committee.

It would increase taxes by \$95,000 over a three-year

it would increase taxes by \$95,000m over a three-year period, reduce social security benefits by \$40,000m over the same period and cut Mr Reagan's big defence buildup moderately with total, three-year reductions of \$22,000m.

Mr Reagan, in announcing today his strong support of

today his strong support of the new budget plan, immedi-ately took the political offen-sive, telling reporters at the White House that the next step was up to congressional

step was up to congressional Democrats.

With their cooperation, Mr Reagan said the new spending plan "can put our country firmly on the road to economic prosperity" mainly by reassuring sceptical financial markets that the massive federal deficits will be reduced in 1983 and the year beyond.

beyond.

Under the new programme which could be sent to the full Senate as early as next week, the deficits are projected at a high of \$105,000m in 1983 and dropping to \$70,000m in 1984 and \$42,000m in 1985.

Even at first glance, however, it was apparant that Mr

difference reflected in the two new budget alternatives", said a member of the budget committee.

This would dampen considerably the President's proposals of forging a coalition of Republicans and conservative Democrats behind his new proposal.

President Reagan has Reagan's new spending package faces a rough time in Congress among Republicans up for reelection and the Democratic Party generally.

by mobilizing Senate Republicans behind a new 1983 federal spending package approved by the budget committee late last night.

The new Republican budget, which projects a reduced deficit of \$105,000m (£58,000m) for the fiscal year 1983, was hammered out at a White House meeting between Mr Reagan's senior advisers and Senate leaders including Mr Howard Baker, the majority leader, and Mr

It called for fewer cuts in It called for fewer cuts in defence spending than those agreed to earlier by Mr Reagan and Mr O'Neill and much steeper cuts in social programmes for the poor and elderly than any yet considered by congressional Democrats. Democrats.

These positions alone are likely to create a new unity among the divided Democrats who plan to caucaus their members this week with the aim of proposing and voting on a Democratic budget alternative by the end of next week

The Democratic alternative is likely to include fewer cuts in social programmes, bigger in social programmes, bigger increases in taxes than those supported by the President and much larger cuts in defence spending. "I think you'll see a basic philosophic difference reflected in the two new budget alternatives", said a member of the Democratic-controlled House budget committee.

Bush assures Chinese over Taiwan dispute

May 6. — Mr George Bush, of peace and stability in the the American Vice-President, world."

world."

Mr Bush thanked the governor for his "words of Taiwan, said tonight that areas of agreement and cooperation "far ourweigh the few differences between with the few differences between halting arms sales to Taiwan

that obstacles in our bilateral relations will be surmounted it is in the interests not only other Asian and Pacific of our two peoples but also countries in 13 days.

China has demanded that Washington sets a date for halting arms sales to Taiwan, seat of the rival Nationalists, or face a retogression in relations. It says the sales amount to a "two-China" notice.

mr Bush at his first formal function in China — a or face a retogression in banquet given by Mr Li Fengping, the Zhejiang province Governor added: "that is the way it is and the way it must be among friends."

Mr Li said in his toast: "The Chinese and American peoples are friendly towards each other and both hope that obstacles in our hilateral of China" sales to Taiwan, seat of the rival Nationalists, or face a retogression in relations. It says the sales amount to a "two-China" policy.

In his speech, Mr Bush said President Reagan and his Administration "stand strongly" by the undersanding that "there is but one China and that Taiwan is part

Mr Bush is in Hangzhou so that our relations can for one day before going on continue to develop, because to Peking. He has visited five



Poles pass liberal Bill

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, May 6

While Poland's attention to form their own student was diverted by the soft thud of tear gas canisters, the Polish Parliament this week associations. slogans
Admittedly below univer-, rector. quietly passed an astonish-ingly liberal Bill on higher education. Giving universities the right to elect their own rectors and control over much of the daily curricu-

lum. The Bill was part of package of measures associ-ated with national culture that was enacted by the Sejm that was enacted by the Sejm (Parliament) on Tuesday.
According to one Sejm deputy, the way that the Bill was passed gives some clue as to the sensitivity of the legislation: "Towards the end of the session we started to vote on the culture accord and other things we had been discussing, including the higher education Bill. After the vote, my neighbour turned to me and asked: "When are we going to decide about higher education?." We just have, I said. "Good God' he said and left the chamber."

students are given the right streets, they were chanting

sity level, many colleges will. The new Bill may defuse have to acept a curriculum this to some extent, and that defined by the ministry but clearly was one of the aims, the optional elements—It was never very cealistic of which often make up some 30 the academic staff,—as many per cent of degree courses at admitted privately.—to

per cent of degree courses at polytechnics and elsewhere can be drawn up by the colleges themselves. The rector faculty senates — the decision-making bodies in university and college departments — retains much of their power, though in terms of nominating the rector ki as an interim sequence to their power, though in terms of nominating the rector ki as an interim sequence until (vice-chancellor) this is fairly elections can begineld.

But the Military Council can also make some liberal concessions because of an

among the more predictable slogans. "Give us back our

It was never very cealistic of the academic staff—as many admitted privately—to expect the Military Council to back down having ousted a

legislation: "Towards the end of the session we started to vote on the culture accord and other things we had been discussing, including the higher education Bill. After the vote, my neighbour turned to me and asked: "When are we going to decide about higher education? We just have, I said. Good God' he said and left the chamber."

Until the text of the Bill is leaked in its entirty, it will be difficult to decide how many of the liberal components in the original draft—drawn up in the Solidarity era — have been retained. About 200 amendments had been tabled and ware discussed for almost a year by two committees of parliamentary experts.

Even so, the main pillars of the original Bill have been is all the original Bill have been is the private of the Bill is content of the state of the Bill is callenge many of the fundamental principles—of martial and obsevers had predicted that this Bill would never be in the watch force in drafting central dhectives on education, will agenow — as originally every the content of the small have been with the bill observed diplomats into the this spill across the university of the subdivision of smarth discussions of an important to the concessions because of an important to the calcust. Blue is the subdivision of the smarth discussion of the smarth discussion of the smarth discussion of the subdivision of the subdivision of the subdivision of

the original Bill have been towards a purge of university whatever has been enacted. If the party who But the new arishows that remarkable degree of autonomy to the nine state universities. As originally planned, rectors can be elected by the universities themselves and

Nato links security and better ving

From Ian Burray Brussels, May 6 Money spent on improving Europeans' standard of living and providing fally for developing nations had to go hand in hand with money spent on defence if there was to be real security in the world, the 12 European members of Name agreed here today.

today.

According to Signor Legio
Lagorio, the current, churman of the Nato Eurogroup, high living standards made for a strong country and a strong country was the only one which could defend itself

one which could defend itself in a proper way.

It was equally important to help developing countries to pursue and achieve their objectives to give stability to the world and thus create the right climate for peace.

In consequence, the Eurogroup had decided to try to give more thought to political policies and policies and policies of defence. This, he said, did not mean that defence spending should be; rejuced, but that as much should be spent on tacklimp the other problems.

The Eurogroup also recognized that in the interests of cohesion within the alliance

nized that in the interests of cohesion within the alliance there was a need to establish that Europe paid a fair share of the cost of defence compared with the money supplied by the United States

modern British naval history — tends to be generated by what at first appears an insignificant dispute. This morning, a truck mounted with a heavy machine gun -was parked outside a halfbuilt apartment block on the Corniche in the west of the city by the Nasserite Morahicity by the Nasserite Morabi-toun militia. The armed followers of Mr Walid Jum-blatt's Progressive Socialist Party happened, however, to be occupying this skeletal building and objected to the rather unorthodox parking violation. The immediate result was a

Balcony

seat at

Corniche

It was a fine day. The summer sun shone brightly on the Mediterranean, whose gentle waves brushed the shoreline of the Beirut Cornicha The naim trees stated.

niche. The palm trees swayed slightly in the breeze. And on the roadway beside

And on the roadway beside the fruit stall, there lay a man's body, arms and legs spread-eagled, as if he had died in a television play. Only when two gumman picked him up by his arms and legs and dumped him in the back of 'a' truck; like a sack of

of 'a' truck; like a sack of potatoes, was it clear that the figure really was lifeless.

When one watches this sort of 'thing from one's own balcony, the scene is almost cathartic. In Beirut, the gathering of corpses almost inevitably means that butle has 'temporarily ended, and indeed a clutch of schoolgirls ran into the street a few

ran into the street a few minutes later and screeched their enthusiasm for a lorry-load of frightened Syrian soldiers; which was some-what strange, since the Syrians had not even been

involved in the conflict.

Beirut's bloodshed — like modern British naval history

carnage

half-hour shoot-out between the two sides in which rocket-propelled grenades swished through the cypress trees near the American University and mortar shells thundered into the prestressed concrete block.

But the Lebanese, as all who live here admit, have palegm. As the explosions rumbled across the university carpons two tennis

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10 gunmen had died.

For a few more minutes. ambulances drove frantically up and down the Corniche. A company of Syrian soldiers trundled by, serious-faced and rifles pointing at the unfinished apartment block. Then Beirut's rowdy motor-ists returned to the Corniche and the street vendors coun-

and the street vendors counted their change.
The bloody little battle was all part of the fracturing of Lebanon's left-wing National Moyement, a cleavage in Lebanon's socialist armies every bit as vicious as that which once tore apart the Christian militias in east Beirut. This summer's presidential elections are not far dential elections are not far away and the promise of power usually brings out the guns in Beirut.

Rome youths hijack bus

Rome, May 6. — Four armed youths hijacked an airport bus taking passengers from a London flight to the centre of Rome and robbed them of five million lire (about £2,000), police said The youths pulled pistols on the driver as he entered the Magliana suberb last night and ordered him to follow a waiting car. Passen-gers were ordered to hand over cash and valuables to the youths, who speed off in

Waldheim run down by tram

the car.

Vienna - Dr Kurt Waldheim, the former United Nations Secretary-General, was knocked down by a tram and taken to hospital with concussion.
Austrian radio quoted him

as saying he would have to stay in hospital for two or three days

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Border guard charged

Brunswick.— West German authorities charged an East: German border guard with suspected murder yesterday, the day after he shot another border guard with a sub-machine gun and fled to the West.

Brunswick.— West German der". It did not mention that he was killed by another border guard.

East Germany has asked the West Germans to extradite Herr Decker. The West German Government said it was "dismayed" by the

the West, Klaus Decker, aged 19, confessed to faing four shots with a sub-machine gun at his colleague before escaping over the border, according to Vancouver's only two dailies; over the border, actording to the Sun and the Province; and Thomson's one third interest ment. The East German news in the Gazette, agency ADN reported that the other border guard, charges of conspiracy to Erhard Knospe, was "trealessen competition and four cherously murdered" while monopoly-making ... charges "protecting the state bor-

German' Government said it was "dismayed" by the incident and the Brunswick authorities, who announced the charges against Herr Decker, said East Germany's extradition request was being "carefully examined".

But the Government's statement said that Herr Decker would have "all the rights of West German cin-



Heeding the call: Forty-four Protestant women taking the oath at Kecskemet during the first ordaining of woman ministers in the history of the Reformed Church of Hungary.

Quebec to opt out of the Bill of Rights

From John Best Ottawa, May 6

The laws of Quebec would be exempted from many provisions of the Canadian Bill of Rights introduced yesterday in the National Assembly, the province's legislature. The legislation takes advantage of a clause in the Bill, part of Canada's new constitution, allowing the provinces wide latitude to opt out of provisions
Alone of the 10 provinces, Quebec has refused to accept either the Bill of Rights or

the constitution itself. Once the legislation is passed, a number of fundamental freedoms would not be guaranteed in Quebec under the national Bill of Rights, although they would still be protected under be protected Quebec's own rights charter. These include freedom of conscience and religion, freedom of association, and the right to life, liberty and security of the person.

Mr Marc-André Bedard,
Quebec's Justice Minister, told reporters the Govern-ment was prepared to fight for Quebec's Bill 101. Under it, children must attend

Hersant bid for daily paper suffers setback From Charles Hargrove, Paris, May 6

The attempt by M Robert Hersant for alleged infringe-

400,000, has met an unexpected setback.

The previous owner, M respected,
Louis Richerot, who was induced in April of last year by financial difficulties to out an action against M surrender his shares in the newspaper to a pool of banks as surety for a short-term supermarkets, who has helped M Hersant in previous he had been able to buy them

the journalists' unions, from, M' Richerot and from members of Parliament - both of the Socialist majority and of the Opposition who alleged that it constituted a violation of the law on the press of 1944. This law, designed to protect the pluralism of the press, prohibits any one person from owning more

than one daily newspaper, Legal proceedings initiated

some years ago against M

Hersant, the newspaper ments of it before 1977 are still pending. Contrary to largest press group in reports a lew days ago that France, to acquire control of the proceedings would be dropped, Mr Georges FilGrenoble newspaper with a lioud, the Minister for circulation of more than Communication insister. circulation of more than Communication, insisted that 400,000, has met an unexpected setback.

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newspaper takeovers, to stop back. him from selling to M
The announcement last Hersant 51 per cent of the week of the takcover of Le capital of the company publishing Le Dauphine Libere by M Hersant provoked protests from The court is to give its ruling on Wednesday. Even if it goes against M Richerot, the financial operation he has mounted to buy back the shares held as security by the pool of banks will enable him to wrest back control of the newspaper from M Hersant.

What has surprised observers about Le Dauphine Libére is that the government has remained relatively passive over M Hersant's latest attempt to extend his press empire.

Newspaper chains to stand trial

From Our Correspondent Ottawa, May 6

Canada's two largest newspaper chains, Thomson Newspapers and Southam Inc are to stand trial on monopoly charges.
They, were committed to trial yesterday in Toronto by Mr J. L. Addison, an Ontario provincial judge, on the basis

of evidence presented at a proliminary hearing last autumn.

The case stems from the shutdown nearly two years ago, on the same day, of the Ottawa Journal and the Winnipeg Tribune. The Journal was dwned by Thomson and the Tribune by

Southam-owned Ottawa Citizen and the Thomson-owned Winnipeg Free Press the only English language daily newspapers in their cities. At about the same time Southam bought Thomson's 50 per cent share in Pacific

The closures left

Southam.

in the Gazette,

Press Ltd, which publishes

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Terrorist killing stops work at Bilbao plant

From Harry Debelius Madrid, May 6

Basque terrorists determined to keep a nuclear
power plant near Bilbao form:
operating accomplished their
purpose, at lest temporarily, have to find a way to keep
today when employees of the on; because it is the only
said they would not go back understand that for some
assassination of the chief not be possible."

Basque terrorists deterfirightened by ETA attacks
and threats, Sefior Javier
Garcia, the Councillor, said:
"I can only tell them that we
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to work at the site, after the
assassination of the chief not be possible."

engineer.

He was the sixth person to stood outside the packed die in attacks involving the Bilbao church where funeral nearly completed installation. Services were held for the One technician who did not engineer Senor Angel Paswish to be named, said "THE cual Mugica, who was shot only way you could get me to yesterday.

The relationship is the said to be the could be said to be could get me to yesterday. only way you could get me to go back to Lemoniz (the location of the plant) Would considering official appeals to dress me in army khaki for citizens to show their and and order me to go". The contempt for terrorism by technician said he and other attending the funeral, was emplotees were under the probably caused by the rainy, obviously mistaken inchilly weather as well as pression that the extremist widespread misgivings about the nuclear energy prohome land and liberty) had gramme.

Secretly, agreed to end its Among those attending the campaign against the nuclear requirem campaign against the nuclear power station, coinciding with the implementation of a plan for the home-rule Gavernment to take over operational responsibility from the privately-owned Electric Power Company which owns it.

In an interview broadcast nationwide by the state-run Nacional Radio, the Council-lor for Industry and Energy

Among those attending the requiem mass today were Señor Ignacio Bayon, the Spanish Minister for Industry and Energy, and Senor Carlos Garaikoetxea, the President of the Autonomous Government of the Basque Provinces. Provinces.

The military wing of ETA, the leftist, secessionist orga-nization, acknowledged in a communique delivered to a Nacional Radio, the Counchilor for Industry and Energy
of the Basque Regional
Government admitted that
the latest killing — the
second of a chief engineer in
less than 16 months — would
mean a delay in putting the
Lemoniz plant into operation", although he said this
did not mean any change in
plans.

Referring to employees communique delivered to a
Basque newspaper that it was
responsible for the assassination of the chief engineer.
The ETA murdered Senor
Pascual Mugica's predectors at Lemoniz on Januathe Lemoniz plant into operation", although he said this
did not mean any change in
plans.

New leader for Italian Christian **Democrats**

From Our Own Corn

A new national secretary of the Italian Christian Democrat Party was elected today. He is Signor Ciriaco de Mita, aged 54, who hastened, in his first interview after his election, to establish a balance in the crucial question of his relations with the Socialists. He had been regarded as being the less tolerant, of the two candidates for the post,

being the less tolerant, of the two candidates for the post, towards the Socialist demands for a greater say in the conduct of the coalition Government's policies.

He said he did not see his election as a challenge to the Socialists but added: "Certainly the Socialists will have to get used to dealing with the Christian Democrats in a rather different way. It was they who asked for equal dignity and that rule must cut both ways." The Socialists make no secret of their ambition to provide the next Prime Minister.

Signor de Mita was elected

Signor de Mita was elected with about 55 per cent of the votes. His rival, Signor Arnaldo Porlani, the former Prime Minister, led what is regarded as a more conservative alliance of interest. tive alliance of interests within the party more intent on good relations with the Socialists and less interested



Signor Ciriaco de Mita (right) shakes hands with the defeated rival, Signor Arnaldo Forlani

test. Leaders of the five coalition parties, of which the Christian Democrats are by far the biggest, are due to meet soon to discuss the Government's fate after a series of clashes between Christian Democrats and

than Signor de Mita is The last almost brought mark as "disgusting". Supposed to be in keeping in the Government down. A Signor de Mita was born at Christian Democrat Minister, Communists. Signor Beniamino Andreatta, said at a preparatory meeting the congress that his schooling by a local priest

more votes for the Socialists would bring the danger of national socialism. The anger of the Socialists at this apparent reference to Nazi tendencies was only curbed by President Pertini's per-sonal intervention when be publicly described the re-mark as "disgusting".

and after a year at Naples University he went with a scholarship to the Catholic university in Milan where he took a degree in jurispru-

In common with other party secretaries in Italy, Signor di Mita will play no direct role in government but will control key appointments and policy decisions from party headquarters (Pauter reports) (Reuter reports).

Gambian President wins election

From Godfrey Morrison, Banjul, May 6

parliamentary elections. Final results were announced

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Final results were announced today.

This is interpreted both as a vote of confidence in Sir Dawda, who has ruled the country since independence from Britain in 1965, and as an endorsement of his Government's decision to enter into a confederation with neighbouring Senegal last February.

last February.
The formation of the confederation came after an armed left-wing revolt which briefly overthrew Sir Dawda's Government last July, but which was later crushed by Senegalese

troops.

In the presidential poll, Sir Dawda was opposed by Mr Sheriff Dibba, the leader of the opposition National Convention Party (NCP) who gained 52,136 votes to Sir Dawda's 137,020.

M. Dibba conducted his

Mr Dibba conducted his campaign from a prison cell where he is awaiting trial on treason and related charges connected with the NCP's alleged involvement in last July's armed revolt in which up to 600 people are believed to have died.

The NCP has vigorously denied involvement in the

revolt. NCP supporters also queried the fairness of the

elections PPP supporters point to The Gambia's long tradition

Sir Dawda Jawara and his ruling People's Progressive Party (PPP) swept to comfortable victories in the Gambian presidential and parliamentary elections.

say that only in a very liberal democracy would a man detained on treason charges be permitted to stand for president.

Mr Dibba also lost his

Mr Dibba also lost his parliamentary seat which he had held since before independence. The NCP which had five members in the last Parliament, will have only three in the new one.

But the PPP did not have things all its own way, Five of the independent candidates, formner PPP supporters who had failed to win party nomination, defeated

party nomination, defeated official candidates and the PPP will have 27 directly elected members in the new Parliament compared to 29. But Sir Dawda's party will still bave a comfortable majority in the new House of Representatives. As president he has the right to nominate eight members and later this week, five chiefs will nomi-

nate five traditional rulers to represent them in the new House of 48 members. Political sources foresee that after his victory, Sir Dawda will seek to consolidate his position through a government reshuffle in which Vice-President Assam Musa Camara, could be

Whatever the future politi-cal line-up here the main issue of contention and interest will remain progress towards making the Sene-Gambian Confederation a reality. The elections have been closely watched by Senegalese representatives.

Self-Portrait of a terrorist

How Red Brigades keep total control

From Peter Nichols, Rome, May 6

ty. But the hearings are also place.
concerned with a whole Moretti and others acof this left-wing terrorist their cages in protest and organization. Others among return to their cells when more than 60 accused were Savasta speaks. One of them

figure among the former Savasta was born in Centoleaders, even in captivity.

Savasta claims a minor role in the Moro affair. He says that he was in favour of killing Signor Moro rather than liberating him however challenge began from the and is believed to have school beaches of Centocelle. committed 17 murders. The great difference between him and the former leaders of the section is that he has agreed

to speak.

He offered to do so immediately he was captured in Padva last January when holding prisoner the American General James Dozier. He has kept his word in five long interrogations conducted mainly by Signor Severited mainly by Signor Severi-no Santiapichi, the presiding judge. When hearings resume on Monday he will be at the disposal of defending counsel and of the public prosecutor:

Aged 27, bespectacled with a rather unsubstantial mous-tache, he allowed his cold self-control to give way only



Antonio Savasta: The talking Guerrilla.

The first detailed self-por-trait of a terrorist was descriptions of him as heart-interrupted today when the less and inhuman. On Tues-Rome Court of Assizes sus-pended hearings to allow the transfer from tape of 20 answers. You judge me hours of testimony given by because. I have killed, for Antonio Savasta about his deaths of which I felt and life as a killer in the Red still feel the weight. But if I Brigades.

The trial principally concerns the Ridnapping and affairs, you would not undermurder in the spring of 1978 of Signor Aldo Moro, the leading figure in the governhad its own logic and ing Christian Democrat Parpersonal problems had no

series of murders and acts of cused, who refuse cooperfar more prominent than shouted at him that he had Antonio Savasta: Mario renegaded not only on the Moretti, for instance, remains the most authoritative figure among the former leaders, even in captivity.

Savasta speaks. One of them renegaded not only on the Red Brigade but also on "the 27 years of his own life". Savasta was born in Cento-celle, studied classics and

> We felt the need to struggle We felt the need to struggle to conquer new space and not be crushed by rules. ." He is a classic example of a product of the abandoned suburbs of Rome, a favourate theme of the late poet. Pasolini who was murdered by another product of the sawt background. same background.

In the hearings yesterday, Savasta sought to convince the court that killers have their problems too. "To kill a person with two different weapons, one after the other, is a difficult business. It has happened to me. After the first shots, the victim can have spasms, and you can think he is still alive."

Savasta told the court that the Red Brigades received two shipments of arms from the Palestine Liberation Organization. They had never accepted money from abroad, certainly not from Libya. No foreigners were involved in the Moro kidnappings. He was convinced, he said yesterday, that there could be no manipulation of the Red manipulation of the Red Brigades from outside.

"I have never had even a suspicion that someone was able to maneouvre the orga-nization" he said. "Above all because the clandestine life allows, at least at a certain level, an almost total control over the movements of the comrades, and then, the organization's policy is constantly under control from below, through debates."

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Two parties demand rerun in Jakarta

From David Watts, Jakarta, May 6

Indonesian opposition parvoting would be impossible. ties are demanding a rerun of The commission says that it parts of Tuesday's election in is prepared to receive complaints after widespread allegations of malpractice.

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polls and says that double not be affected.

the Muslim Development Party (PPP) allege that there was extensive double voting in the poll and both parties are preparing official com-plaints about the conduct of The ruling Golkar Party has so far collected 56 per cent of the votes cast and is clearly the national winner. plaints about the conduct of votes separating Golkar and the election.

The government Electoral vote total might change Commission denies that there though the seat allocations, was any manipulation in the polls and says that double not he affected.

Success claimed by Iran in fresh offensive

launched an offensive in battling to take the key Northern Khuzestan last highway linking Ahvaz with night, advancing several Khorramshahr. The dispatchmiles towards the Iraqi es indicated each side launborder and capturing hun-dreds of Iraqi soldiers, attacks, and the fighting Tehran radio said today.

The radio said Iranian and forth on the west side of

positions in the Fakeh On the Awyaz-Khorram-region, smashing their for-ward defences within hours, craft gun fires repeatedly, It said the drive was continu- each time with a defening

Iran said its forces had cut Iraqi supply routes in the region and killed hundreds of Iraqi troops, Iranian aircraft strafed Iraqi concentrations

and knocked out 18 tanks in the Fakkeh region. Further south, an Iraqi counter-offensive west of a road linking the cities of Ahwaz and Khorramshahr had been smashed by Iranian ground forces last night, a military communique said.

It claimed that after pushing the Iraqis back to their previous positions, Iranian troops launched new attacks and were continuing their "Sixty to 70 per cent of advance in the area. They those who are fighting in the captured 700 Iraqis and destroyed 18 tanks. Iraqis had thrown armoured units into the battle to attack the road, a strategic highway herited), ordinary people. which Iranians crossed at the start of an offensive last Friday. -- Reuter.

The Bassij often are seen wearing armbands over their communique issued early sand-coloured fatigues, or today said one Iranian jet headhand, bearing the words was shot down in a doglight "Allah a Akhar" — God is over Khuzistan province (AP reports).

The statement came about astonishing. After the anti-12 hours after the Iranians aircraft gun falls silent, a issued a communique saying shell lands a few yards away. 12 hours after the transactions shell lands a tew yarms shell lands a tew yarms their helicopters for the first the youths stand ground, none of them ducks, and all the same the corresponchartle to see the corresponraided the Iraqi border town dent dive against a wall of sandhags as the shell thuds into the sand.

of Fuka.

Both sides acknowledged that the Iranians had crossed

seats in the one-party legis-

37 MPs ousted

after poll in

Sierra Leone

Amoco Cadiz damages hearings open

roar, and give way to a chorus of "Allah O Akhar" of 20 very young Iranian troops as they watch an Iraqi

assult helicopter disappear over the horizon (AFP re-

is the Karun river, forded in

sive that begun a week ago. The "fighters of Islam"

along the front are almost all very young, or very old. Many are between 14 and 16 years old, while a handful are

herited), ordinary people. "Real soldiers are not very frequently found here."

The road is now the front line of the southern war front between Iran and Iraq. More than 15 miles behind it

Frectown, May 6. — With all the results from last Saturday's general election From Our Own Correspondent New York, May 6 in Sierra Leone now declard, nearly 40 MPs have lost their Pre-trial hearings have

begun in Chicago in the case of the Amoco Cadiz tanker which grounded on the cost Two Cabinet manager defeated. Thirteen other ministers were elected unopposed, with six other candidates. Thirty-seven new MPs were elected, with 17 members of the old parliament reelected.

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They claim that Amoco was negligent in failing to maining a seaworthy

members of the old partial members of the old constitution. Results in 13 constitution of the members of the old company of the old c members, the Sierra Leone and cused much of the Parliament also includes 12 paramount chiefs AFP.

Some life left in Namibia approach

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg, May 6

Mr Ewen Fergusson, the new British Ambassador to South Africa, admitted today that the search for a nego-tiated settlement of the conflict in Namibia had "hit a trough in what, over many years, has been an up-anddown course".

Speaking at a press conference in Cape Town after presenting his letters of credence to the South African President, the ambassador insisted, however, that the current Western negotiation initiative, which got under way last autumn, still had life in it.

Earlier this week, Swapo, the guerrilla organization fighting for Namibia's independence, and "front-line" hlack African states rejected the Western approach as "sterile", and called instead for the issue to be referred to new international confer-

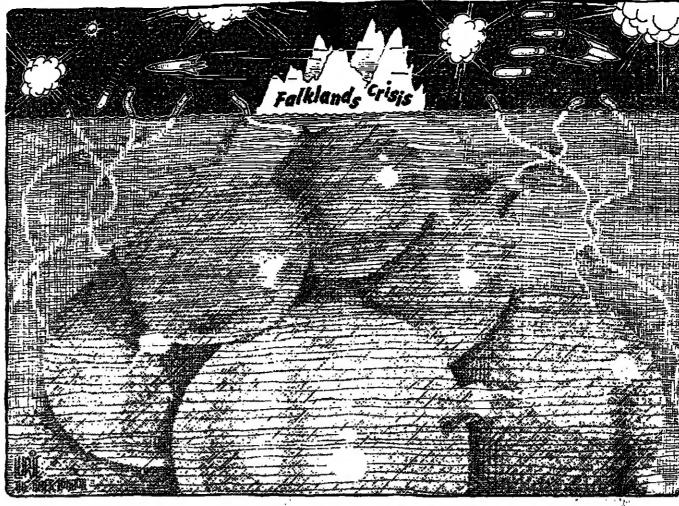
Western "contact The Western "contact group" had been pursuing an itinerant diplomacy aimed at isolation the various issues involved and securing a settlement by stages, but this the first stage because of African rejection of the method proposed for electing a constituent assembly in Namibia. The

Mr Fergusson said he could not comment further on the future of the Namihlan negotiations until "several important meetings" had been concluded, includ-ing a meeting of the "contact group" in Paris and talks between senior American and South African officials in Switzerland next week.

The mood in diplomatic circles is generally gloomy. The international conference approach to the Namibia problem was tried in January of last year in Geneva and it failed; on the other hand there does not seem much point in pressing on with the present phased negotiation if it no longer enjoys the confidence of one of the main parties involved.

The "contact group" from America, Britain, Canada, France and West Germany has been searching for a Namibia settlement since 1977. It embarked on its current tack, however, only last year after the failure of the Geneva conference

Asked about British policy rowards South Africa, Mr
Fergusson said that his
government's aim was not
only to protect British
interests here but also to
"encourage peaceful evolwing in South Africa" ution in South Africa".



Tip of the iceberg

Mandela's wife kept from award

Philadelphia, May 6. — The South African Government has refused to lift a banning order on Mrs Winnie Mandela, the wife of Mr Nelson Mandela, the imprisoned Mandela, the imprisoned leader of the banned African National Congress, for her to visit the United States to receive an honorary degree, a Haverford college official

said (Reuter reports). Haverford, a Quaker col-lege, has awarded Mrs Mandela an honorary doctor of laws degree for her fight against apartheid. The degree will be accepted on her behalf on May 17 by Mrs Adelaide Tambo, the wife of Mr Oliver Tambo, another African National Congress

Mrs Mandela is restricted to a village ☐ Maseru: Fifteen members of the Pan-African Congress,

of the Pan-Arrican Congress, which seeks the overthrow of white rule in South Africa, were released by Lesotho authorities after being held for several days, a police spokesman said (AP reports). They had been detained after reports of fighting between rival groups within between rival groups within the movement.

☐ East London: Mr Thoma-

Proof claimed of TV link with aggression

From Michael Hamlyn, New York, May 6

the conclusion that the evidence is "overwhelming" that it leads to aggressive behaviour in young people.

A report of the study carried out for the United States Government said: "Television violence is as strongly correlated with aggressive behaviour as any other behavioural variable that has been measured". The question now was no longer whether the link existed, but what explains it.

The study, a two-year review of work done since America's Surgeon-General first published his report on television violence in 1972, was carried out by the National Institute of Mental Health_and_bas_caused_a great fluttering among the

television companies. The companies were quick to declare that the review was seriously flawed. "Japan has some of the most violent television in the world and they have a very low level of violence in their society," oratory said one Columbia Broadcast- studies." ing System executive.

An authoritative official Research projects quoted in review of research on telethe report include one of vision violence has come to London teenage boys which the conclusion that the showed they were more likely to engage in serious violence after violent scenes on television. Another study found "un-warranted aggressive behaviour in free play" among children of pre-school age who had just watched violent programmes.

One study found an increase in unruliness among black children after viewing Roots, the televised version of the book celebrating the resistance of slaves in Ameri-

"The evidence accumulated in the 1970s seems over-whelming that televised violence and aggression are positively related in chil-

dren," the report says.
"The consensus among most of the research community is that violence on television does lead to aggressive behaviour by children and teenagers who watch the programmes. This conclusion is based on lab-oratory experiments and field

ution in South Africa".

"We don't think we have all the answers, and we won't prescribe our own form of society. I believe that humility is perhaps the right approach and to say that we will support any system that has the support of South African ged about 30, was previously arrested on Africa's people as a whole".

| East London: Mr Thomazing System executive.

Another called the report "an almost uncritical selection and acceptance of certain studies" and said that time, union officials said the consultant used to review casting Company which the literature came to the task with "public positions on the role of television and aggressive behaviour. ng System executive. The National Institute
Another called the report adds: "Not all children bean almost uncritical selec- come aggressive, of course,"

Fighters attacked minister

From Our Correspondent Ankara, May 6

Two fighters of unidenti-fied nationality attacked the aircraft carrying Mr Muham-mad Benyahia, the Algerian Foreign Minister, to Tehran on a mediation mission last Monday, the Turkish Foreign Ministry had confirmed. The aircraft grashed on

The aircraft erashed on Monday afternoon just inside Iraan after leaving Turkish air space, killing all 14 people on board, Iran hamed Iraq for the fatal shooting.

The Foreign Manistry said a careful examination of tape recordings of the conversation between the pilot and the control tower of the

the control tower of the esenboga airpod: here had clearly established that the pilot had informed the tower at 13.28 GMT that the aircraft was leaving the aircraft was th

was leaving Jurkish uir space. After entiring Iranian airspace at 1320 GMT, he had called the fawer back to announce that his aircraft was heing chusel by two fighters and the he would try to turn back?

At the time of the second call, the aircraft was his because a sency IRNA aid the aircraft was his becovered iraqi missiles Reuter reports.

Bresuia. — Rosa Olni, a member of a wealthy family of road builders, has been kidnapped from her flat in Travagliato, Northern Italy.

Exciting find

Peking. — Archaeologists have discovered superh, 1,400-year-old murals depicting the life of an aristocrat, in the province of Shunxi.

today (AP reports)

Top judges offer to resign Manila.-Twelve Filipino

Supreme Court judges, led by Chief Justice Enrique Fer-nando, have submitted their resignations after a Bar examination scandal.

An announcement said President Marcos had received the resignations, but did not say if he had accepted them. The court has 14

No reasons for the resignations were given, but they came after allegations that several judges were involved in changing the grade of the son of one of them in the 1981 Bar examinations, enabling him to pass.

Maize shortage

Lusaka. — Zambia is to import 400,000 tonnes of maize at a cost of about 541m this year to offset a shortfall caused by drought, Mr Nalu-mino Mundia, the Zambian Prime Minister, was quoted as saying. Half of the maize would come from Zimbahwe.

Chad threat

Ndjamena. — President Goukouni Oueddei restated his intention to call on an "nutside force" to end the rebellion in Chad if the organization of African Unity decided to withdraw its peace-keeping force.

Joint protest

Dar es Salaam. — Tanzania and Mozambique have con-demned South Africa for financing anti-government guerrillas in neighbouring countries and called for the dismantling of the United States base on the Indian Ocean island of Diego Garcia.

Unitá kills nun

Lisbon. - Unita, the antigovernment force in Angula, has admitted killing the Mother Superior of a Portu-guese Roman Catholic mission in an armed attack on the Vila Nova de Sales mission on April 27.

Consuls' fears

Boston - Foreign consul-in Boston have demanded that the authorities in Massa-chusetts should give them more protection after the

I in the province of Shanxi.

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Law Report May 7 1982 House of Lords

McLoughlin v O'Brien and Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge of Harwich ISpeeches delivered May 61

liness caused by shock to a mother who was told at home that her family had been seriously injured in a car accident two miles away and later saw them in hospital in varying states of distress and injury and was told one child had been killed was held by the House of Lurds to be a reasonably foreseguile to be a reasonably foreseemble consequence of the admitted negligence of the drivers of two lorries involved in the accident.

Increase in the accident.

Therefore the mother was entitled to bring an action for damages against the necligent defendants, and no question of public policy such as opening the floodgates to similar claims should deter the courts from applying established principles of hability in such cases.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Mrs Rosina McLoughlin, of Sawston, Cambridge, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce and Lord Justice Griffiths) (The Times, January 13, 1981; (1981) QB 599) which had dismissed her appeal from Mr Justice Boreham, and held that although it was reasonably foresceable that injury by shock foresceable that injury by shock would be caused to a wife and mother in the position of the plaintiff, the duty of care owed by the driver of a vehicle was limited to persons or owners of property at or near the scene of an accident and directly affected by his negligence; that consider-ations of public policy limited the duty of care in that way and did not require it to be extended; and that since the plaintiff was two that since the plaintiff was two miles away from the accident and did not learn of it or see its consequences until two hours later, she was not entitled recover damages for nervous shock.

Mr Michael Ogden, QC and Mr Jonathan Haworth for Mrs McLoughlin, Mr Michael Turner, QC and Mr John Leighton Williams for the defendants.

LORD WILBERFORCE said that the appeal arose from a tragic mad accident on October 19, 1973, near Withersfield, Suffolk. The plaintiff's husband and three of her children were involved in an accident when their car was in collision with a lorry driven by the first defendant and owned by the second.
That lorry had been in collision with another lorry driven by the third defendant and owned by the fourth. It was admitted that the accident to the car was caused by the defendants' negligence. As a result of the accident, the

shock: George, aged 17, suffered facial and head injuries, cerebral concussion, fractures of both concussion, fractures of both scapulate and bruising and abrasions; Kathleen, aged seven, suffered concussion and other injuries; Gillian, aged three was almost immediately.

At the time, the plaintiff was at her home about two miles away. An hour or so later the accident was reported to her by a neighbour, Mr Pilgrim, who told her that he thought George was dying, and did not know the whereabouts of her husband or the condition of her daughter. He

then drave her to Addenbrooke's then drave her to Addenbrooke's hospital, Cambridge.

There she saw Michael, a fourth child not in the accident, told her that Gillian was dead. She saw through a corridor window Kathleen crying, with her face cut and begrimed with dirt and oil.

She could hear George shouting and screaming. She was

ing and screaming. She was taken to her husband who was sitting with his head in his hands. his shirt hanging off him and he was covered in mud and oil. He saw his wife and started sobbing. She was then taken to see George; the whole of his left face and side were covered. He appeared to recognize her and then lapsed into unconscious-

ress.
Finally she was taken to

Kathleen who has been cleaned

up but was too upset to speak and simply clung to her mother. There could be no doubt that those circumstances, witnessed by the plaintiff, were distressing in the extreme and capable of producing an effect going well beyond that of grief and sorrow. The plaintiff later brought proceedings against the four defendants for what was pleaded as severe shock, organic deas severe shock, organic de-pression and a change of personality. The trial judge was asked to assume that her condition had been caused or contributed to by shock, as distinct from grief or sorrow; and that the plaintiff was a person of reasonable fortitude.

He held, however, in a most careful judgment reviewing the authorities, that the defendants owed no duty of care to her because the possibility of her suffering injury by nervous shock, in the circumstances, was not reasonably foreseeable.

His judgment was upheld on appeal but not on the same ground. Lord Justice Stephenson took the view that the possibility of injury to her by nervous shock was reasonably foresceable and that the defendants owed her a duty of care. However, he held that considerations of policy prevented her from recovering.

Lord Justice Griffiths held that injury by nervous shock to the plaintiff was "readily foresecable" but that the defendants owed her no duty of care: the duty was limited to those on the road nearby. Lord Justice Cumming Bruce agreed with both judgments.
The critical question on the appeal was whether a person in the position of the plaintiff —

at an interval of time and space, could recover damages for nervous shock — now recognized as identifiable an illness as any that might be caused by direct physical impact.

The position reached on the authorities as they now stood authorities as they now stood to be fixed as a matter of policy. that might be caused by direct physical impact.

The position reached on the authorities as they now stood

was:
1 While damages could not, at common law, be awarded for grief and sorrow, a claim for damages for nervous shock caused by negligence could be made without the need of showing direct impact or fear of immediate several intrins for immediate personal injuries for

2 A plaintiff might recover damages for nervous shock brought on by injury caused not to him or herself but to a near relative, or by the fear of such injury.

3 Subject to paragraph 4, there
which a

was no English case in which a plaintiff had been able to recover network shock damages where the injury to the near relative occurred out of sight and earshot of the plaintiff. In Hambrook v Stokes Bros (1925) 1 K B 1411 and express distinction was made between shock caused by what the mother saw with her own eyes and what she might have been told by bystanders, liability being excluded in the latter case. 4 An extension of the latter case had been made where the plaintiff did not see or hear the incident hut came on its immmediate aftermath. In Boardman v Sanderson (11964) 1 WLR 1317) the father was within earshot of the accident to his child and likely to come on the scene: he did so and suffered damage from what he then saw. In Marshall v Lionel Enterprises ([1972] VR 789) the mother was

in her home 100 yards away, and on communication by a third party, ran to the scene of the accident and there suffered shock. Their Lordships had to decide whether to validate those extensions. 5 A remedy on account of nervous shock was given to a man who came on a serious accident involving many people immediately thereafter and acted as a rescuer: Chadwick v British Railways Board ([1967] 1 WLR 912). Shock was caused neither has far for himself nor on by fear for himself nor or account of a near relative. The

principle of rescuer cases should be accepted, but the House had to consider whether, and how far, it could be applied to cases like the Throughout those developments, the courts had proceeded in the traditional manner of the common law from case to case, on a basis of logical necessity. Unless the law was to draw an arbitrary line at the point of direct sight and sound, the extension under paragraph 4 above required acceptance in the interests of justice.

On the logical progression in

one who was not present at the core of grievous injuries to her family but who came upon them see why the present plaintiff

bility for acts of negligence had to be fixed as a matter of policy. On the approach of Lord Atkin stating the neighbour principle in Danoghue v Stevenson (11932) AC \$62,580) foresceability had to be accompanied and limited by the law's judgment as to persons who ought, according to its standards of value or justice, to have been in contemplation. in contemplation. The policy arguments against a wider extension came under four

First, it might be said that such First, it might be said that such extension might lead to a proliferation of claims and possibly fraudulent claims, to the establishment of an industry of lawyers and psychiatrists who would formulate a claim for nervous shock damages for all, or many, road and industrial accidents.

accidents Second, it might be claimed that an extension of liability would be unfair to defendants, as imposing damages out of pro-portion to the negligent conduct complained of. In so far as such defendants were insured, a large additional burden would he placed on insurers, and ultimate-ly on the insured: road users or emolovers.

employers.

Third, to extend liability beyond the most direct and plain cases would greatly increase evidentiary difficulties and lengthen hitigation.

Fourth, as the Court of Appeal agreed an extension of the recommendation. agreed, an extension of the scope of liability ought only to be made

Just because shock in its nature was capable of affecting nature was capable of artecting so wide a range of people, there remained, in his Lordship's opinion, a real need for the law to place some limitation on the extent of admissible claims. considered: the class of persons

whose claims should be recog-nized; the proximity of such persons to the accident; and the means by which the shock was As regarded the class of persons, the possible range was between the closest of family ties of parent and child, or husband and wife — and the

ordinary bystander. Existing law recognized the claims of the first; it denied those of the second, either on the basis that such persons had to assumed to be possessed fortitude sufficient to enable them to endure the calamities of modern life, or that defendants could not be expected to compensate the world at large. Those positions were justifi-able, and since the present case fell within the first class, it was strictly unnecessary to say more. His Lordship thought, however,

that other cases involving less close relationships must be very

carefully scrutinized. The closer the tie the greater the claim for consideration.

On proximity to the accident, it was obvious that it must be close in both time and space. It was: after all, the fact and consequence of the defendant's negliquence of the detendant's negli-gence that must be proved to have caused the nervous shock. Experience had shown that to insist on direct and immediate sight or hearing would be impractical and unjust and that under what might be called the "aftermath" doctrine, one who, from close proximity came very soon on the scene, should not be excluded. The result in Benson p

excluded. The result in Benson v
Loe was correct and indeed
inescapable. But a strict test of
proximity by sight or hearing
should be applied by the courts.

As to communication there was
no case in which the law had
commensated shock brought compensated shock brought about by a third party. The shock must come through sight or hearing of the event or of its immediate aftermath.

Whether some equivalent of sight or hearing, for example, through simultaneous television, would suffice might have to be

considered.

His Lordship's indications, imperfectly sketched, and certainly to be applied with common sense to individual situations in their entirety, represented either the existing law or the existing law with only such circumstantial extension as the common law process might legitimately make.

They did not introduce a new

principle. Nor did his Lordship see why the law should retreat behind the lines already drawn. The plaintiff's case fell within the boundaries of the law so drawn. He would allow her appeal.

LORD EDMUND DAVIES concurring in the result, said that the sole basis on which the Court of Appeal had dismissed the claim was that of public policy — on the ground of what might be called the "floodgates" His Lordship was unconvinced

that the number and area of claims in shock cases would be substantially increased or enlarged were the defendants here held liable. In the present case, two totally In the present case, two totally different points arising from the speeches of two of their Lordships called for further attention, both relating to the Court of Appeal's invoking public policy. Lord Bridge seemingly doubted that any regard should have been had to such a consideration, the sole test of liability being the reasonable foreseeability of injury to the plaintiff through nervous shock resulting, from the defendants'

plaintit through nervous shock resulting from the defendants' conceded default.

And, such foreseeability having been established, it followed that in law no other course was open to the Court of Appeal than to allow the appeal. His Lordship

Nervous shock damages for those not at scene of accident

could not accept that approach.

Nor could his Lordship agree with what he understood Lord Scarman to say, namely, that public policy had no relevance to liability to law.

The proposition that "... the policy issue... is not justiciable" was as novel as it was startling. So novel that in this appeal it was never mentioned during the hearing in the House. And startling because it ran counter to well established law.

As Lord Reid had said in British Railways Board & Herrington ([1972] AC 877, 897): "Legal principles cannot solve the problem. How far occupiers are to be required by law to take steps to safeguard such children must be a matter of public policy."

In accordance with the authorities, public policy issues were

in accordance with the authorities, public policy issues were justiciable. As Winfield had said "The difficulty of discovering what public policy is at any given moment certainly does not absolve the bench from the duty of doing so. The judges are bound to take notice of it and of the changes which it undergoes, and it is immaterial that the question may be one of ethics rather than of law."

In the present case the Court of Appeal did just that, and they were right in doing so. But they concluded that public policy required them to dismiss what they clearly regarded us an otherwise irrefragable claim. In that they were wrong.

LORD RUSSELL said that if the effect on this wife and mother of the results of the defendants' negligence was considered to have been reasonably foreseeable, his Lordship did not see any justification for not finding them liable in damages therefor. He would not shrink from regarding in an appropriate case policy was something which might feature in a judicial

in the last analysis any policy consideration seemed to be rooted in a fear of floodgates opening. His Lordship was not impressed by that fear — certainly not sufficiently to deprive this plaintiff of just compensation for the reasonably foresecable damage done to her.

LORD SCARMAN, accepting Lord Bridge's approach to the law and the conclusion he reached, also shared the Court of Appeal's anxieties and differed from that court in that he was persuaded that in this branch of the law it was not for the courts but for the legislature to set limits, if any be needed, to the law's development.

The present appeal raised directly a question as to the balance in our law between the functions of judge and legislature. The distinguishing feature of the comman law was judicial development and formulation of principle. Policy consideration of

difficult field of psychiatric medicine.

The first hurdle a plaintiff claiming damages of the kind in question must surmount was to establish that he was suffering, not merely grief, distress or any other normal emotion, but a positive psychiatric illness; and must then establish the necessary chain of causation in fact between his iffychiatric illness; and the death yr injury of one or more third parties negligently caused by the defendant.

The all-important question was whether the chain of causation, considered or post facto in the light of all that had happened was "reasonable man". The answer to that depended on what know ledge was to be attributed to the hypothetical reasonable man of

ledge was to be attributed to the by progressive awareness of hypothetical reasonable man of mental illness, decided"

It would seem that the consensus of informed judicial opinion was probably the best yardstick available to determine whether, in any given circumstances, the emotional trauma resulting from the death or injury of third parties, ex hypothesi attributable to the defendant's negligence, was a forsecable cause in law, as well as the actual cause in fact, of the plaintiff's psychiatric or psychesomatic illness.

The question for decision was whether the law, as a matter of policy, drew a line which exempted from liability a defendant whose negligent act or omission was actually and foreseeably the cause of the plaintiff's psychiatric illness.

His Lordship developed con-

would have to discusse the the objective of indees was the formulation of incorpile. And, it principle inexorally required a decision which estailed a degree of policy risk the court's function was to adjudicate according to principle, leaving policy curtainent. It is indement of incorpile led the results which were thought is be socially unacceptable, Parliament could legislate to drawfal line or map out a new path. It is follow the logic of the "reasonably foreseeable test" so as in appropriate circimstances, to the principle required the judges to brinciple led the results which will be socially the cause of fact of apply it untramballed by spatial, physical, or temperal limits. But his Lordship was not sure that the result, was socially desirable. He foresaw social and financial problems if damages for nervous shock in consequence of it. There was a powerful case for legislation such as that enacted in New Souths Wales and the Australian Capital Territories.

Why then should not the courts draw the line was not justiciable. His lordship world allow the appeal tried to do in the present case? Sit ply because the policy issue as do where in draw the line was not justiciable. His lordship world allow the appeal tried to do in the present case? Sit ply because the policy issue as do where in draw the line was not justiciable. His lordship world allow the appeal tried to do in the present case? Sit ply because the policy issue as do where in draw the line was not justiciable. His lordship world allow the appeal tried to do in him out of proportion to his moral resonability. The suc-

or Appeal tried to do in the present case? Sir ply because the policy issue as to where to draw the line was not justiciable. His Lordship would allow the appeal for the reasons developed by Lord Bridge.

defendant liable for reasonably foreseeable psychiatric illness caused by his negligence would be to impose a crushing burden on him out of proportion to his moral responsibility. The successful claims in this field and the quantum of damages.

LORD BRIDGE said that the whole area, of English law concerning the liability of a tortfeasor who had negligently killed or physically injured A to pay damages to B for a psychiatric illness resulting from A's death or alfury stood in urgent need of renew.

The basic difficulty of the subject arose from the fact that the crucial answers to the questions it raised lay in the difficult field of psychiatric medicine.

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Solicitors: Vinters, Cambridge; in psychiatric medicine — which solicitors: Vinters, Cambridge; was far from being exact science. Hextall, Erskine & Co, Horsham.

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Three years on, the ironic anniversary

A Conservative MP told me vesterday that after the sinking of HMS Sheffield he felt guilty that he and his colleagues should have spent so much of the week speculating about the effect of the Mrs Thatcher ralklands crisis on the local government elections.

One sees what he means. Beside questions of physical survival in the south Atlantic, questions of political survival in the south Atlantic, questions of political survival in the south where there cal survival in the town halls and even at Westminster are discord may we to be seen in a very different perspective. Nevertheless he should not feel excessively defensive. The Falklands crisis has already been affected by demanding and the demands of the control of the cont ted by domestic politics and will ultimately be determined by them. Equally, domestic politics will be determined by the Falklands conflict. The

The fate of Mrs Thatcher, and the Government, now hinges on the issue and the way the electorate eventually judges the outcome. The knowledge that this is so will powerfully (and rightly) affect the decisions of the Cabinet and Parliament's attitude to negotiations. In other words, the fate which ordained with sublime malignity that the Sheffield should be destroyed on the third the Sheffield should be destroyed on the third the should be destroyed to the should be dest

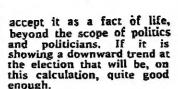
First the economy.

The indicators are beginning to look up: inflation is coming down fast and the underlying tone of the stock market is buoyant. British industry, by common consent, has become more competitive from having shed jubs and sharpened up its management practices during the recession. Admittedly unemployment is bound to remain above three million until after the election but it has been so had for so long that the voters may now had to be prescribed.

There is wide acceptance that argued that the timing is unpleasant economi medicine wrong.

Unless the American economi

arriving at 'Where there is error may we bring truth'



ordained with sublime malignity that the Sheffield should be destroyed on the third anniversary of the day on which Mrs Thatcher took office had some ironic significance.

It would be easy to say that without the Falklands question the Thatcher government would be in good shape; and indeed just a few weeks ago, before the crisis blew up, the conventional wisdom in Conservative circles proclaimed that it was all going to come right after all—and for a good variety of reasons. First the economy.

The indicators are beginless everything the heart could desire.

This last point is not mere commentator's sarcasm.
There is a genuine argument

Moreover, the argument continues, Mrs Thatcher's position on law and order, permissiveness, denationali-zation and the trade unions are all, in practice, those he great mass of the public. People admire her even if they do not like her and are more likely to vote for her if they feel she is in control than if she is having to

compromise her principles. Seen in this light, the Falklands crisis is an unfortunate incident which, if it drags on indefinitely of ends in what appears to be defeat, will no doubt undo all the good effects listed above but which, if it can be settled duickly and with some sem-blance of honour, will leave the basic Conservative advan-tages untouched and even enhanced by the positively Churchillian image of stead-fastness, determination and patriotism with which it will is not mere be possible to clothe the sarcasm. Prime Minister.

This is an attractive proshere, conceded even by some pectus and there is no wets, that the public is earthly way of proving that it getting used to a right-wing is wrong. On the other hand government. The debate there is undoubtely a plausabout monetarism continues to ible counter case to be made. pectus and there is no earthly way of proving that it rage at the academic level but So far as the underlying essentially it is over because economic situation is conthe Government has won cerned it can certainly be

April 25, 1982 With John Nott, after the recapture of South Georgia:

'We should rejoice ... and



omy stages a major recovery this year (which looks increasingly improbable) the Brit-ish economy will remain depressed until well into 1983 and possibly for the whole of. the year. In any case the optimistic scenario depends on two other improbables — in the short term a pick-up in investment, even if demand is slack, and in the longer term willingness on the part of the unions (and the voters) to watch profits go up rather

than wages.
On the credibility of the Cabinet amd more particularly the Prime Minister there is, to put it at its lowest, a considerable price Conservative back benches to be paid for homogeneity, and in her coterie who do whatever the doctrinal area. There is not make the paid for homogeneity and in her coterie who do whatever the doctrinal area. Whatever the doctrinal arguments between wets and dries, the cumulative loss of the wets from the Cabinet in terms of experience and political weight would be quite demaging. The absence of men — or for that matter women — who are willing

and able to take on Mrs
Thatcher in argument must eventually be bad for policy.
Almost everything that has happened in the past three years, from her first reference to St Francis of Assisi

This consideration leads to another: that while the present Government may well have shifted the centre of the political gravity towards the political gravity towards the sence to St Francis of Assisi

This consideration leads to another: that while the present Government may well have shifted the centre of the political gravity towards the political gr to her "rejoice" over South that does not mean that the Georgia, bears witness to the British, after several hundred fact that she is an impetuous years, have suddenly become woman whose instincts are people easy to lead from a

emotional. She is also an experienced politician but reason, caution and calcu-lation come second and need to be evoked by the passage of time and the painful process of argument.

Since she is often over-bearing in the extreme (an old hand recalls Melbourne's remark: "I wish I was as certain of one thing as Tom Macaulay is about every-thing") it takes some courage and political muscle to act as midwife to her rational reactions. These are not their utmost to persuade her that the voice of her rightwing conscience is the true
prophet and all others false.
The results are frequently
impressive and sometimes
admirable but the total effect
on her prime ministership is dangerous.
This consideration leads to

and position far away from what-

the middle ground. The charge of "extremism" is always a damaging one in British politics but the practical difficulties of achieving compromise in a complicated open society are the really substantial draw-back to the abandonment of the centre. The Falklands affair puts much of this to the test. The Prime Minister

ever appears at the time to be

has apparently shown all her best qualities — courage and stamina — during the last week but also some of her worst — imperuosity and inflexibility. She is in an embattled

state. She has lost in Lord Carrington a man who never shrank from standing up to her. Mr Whitelaw and Mr Pym are, to put it delicately, more oblique in their arguments and both lack self-confidence in foreign policy. Mr Nott, who was appointed Defence Secretary specifically to cut the budget, is out of his depth. Again much of the advice Mrs Thatcher has to rely on comes from The to rely on comes from The Foreign Office, of which she is profoundly suspicious.
On top of all this the real pinch is that it is hard to see

a way out of the crisis that does not involve either all-out war against Argentina on the one hand or some compromise of the principles Mrs
Thatcher has proclaimed.
The country does not want
the first, and the 60 or so right-wingers on the Con-servative back benches who constitute her strongest support will not countenance the second.

If, as I expect, Mrs Thatcher's head eventually beats her doctrinal conscience I do not say her heart — and she chooses to risk the displeasure of her immediate supporters rather than the long-term resent-ment of the electors, she is not, in my opinion, home and

dry.

But since a compromise is probably the only way of maintaining some semblance of natinal comsensus into the fourth year of her administ-ration it at least gives her a sporting chance, and for this reason it is really the only possible course. © Times Newspapers Limited, 1982

Contraception: how many will heed the Pope?

by Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

There used to be a trilogy of states that every time a nasia." It was a fair bet, 20 Catholic priest or bishop were sermonizing on moral issues, by "moral" he meant shrunk to two. It is now discernibly expanding again, to include nuclear war, racial discrimination, and Third World issues. But contraception, somewhere along the line, has dropped out of

It would be extremely difficult to trace a single official statement of the Roman Catholic Church in England and Wales in the last decade that said anything at all about contraception There is an embarrassed silence. Many priests, the majority of Roman Catholic lay people, and eyen possibly most bishops in this country do not support their church's official teaching. Mention it in the context of Pope John Paul II's visit to Britain later this month, and there is a distinct drawing in of breath through ecclesiastical clenched teeth. The Pope goes all the way with the official line, and is going to say so when he comes.

He considers hunself an expert on the subject of sex and marriage, and as Pope he can lay down the law single-handed. Thus while a synod handed. Thus while a synod of bishops spent the Roman autumn of 1980 making speeches to each other about family life, the Pope was delivering a series of weekly homilies on the subject in St Peter's. One of them produced his famous remark about husbands committing adultery with their wives, something the bishops had not thought of

At the end of the synod he told them some of the answers to the complex issues that had been causing them such anguish, rather as if they had alleust flown in. That occasion produced the almost equally famous ruling that divorces Catholics in that divorced Catholics in second marriages could not receive the sadaments unless they lived chartely as brother and sister:

It was not the answer the bishops had chine to, and it horrified the English delegation. Chidinal Hume, needless to say, has not passed the instruction on to his flock. The Eng

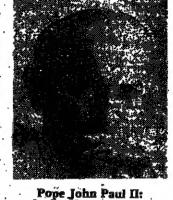
the first time in the progressive vanguard of Catholic opinion, had been working for some ting to prize open the Vatican Flocked door. They hurt that fingers when the Pope shamed it shut again. Carding Hume and the again. Carding Hume and the Archbishop of Liverpool, Monsignor Berek Worlock, had seen the surveys of opinion in the English church, and concluded that the contraception issue was responsible the a damaging sense of alienation among the faithful. faithful.

When the pastoral congress of the Roman Catholic Church took place at Liverpool in spring, 1980, they decided the insolven could be suppressed no longer. The anxiety and confusion of lay delegates to the congress came into the open, and there was a large majority for the proposition that the tra-ditional line would have to be changed - or "developed", to use the more respectful, generally preferred word.

Roman Catholic evils, lumped Roman Catholic married together and condemned in a couple have sexual intersweeping phrase; "contraceptive course using a contraceptive tion, abortion, and euthahave intercourse if the wife years ago, that if a Roman is on the pill - for contraceptive reasons, they are issues, by "moral" he meant Only if they repent of their those three. Somehow, in actions, in confession to a that period of time, the list priest, can they receive Holy Communion. The sin, as declared by Pope Pius XI in 1930 and Pope Paul VI in 1968, is intrinsic to the act. No amount of good will or right intention can justify it.

Pope John Paul holds this position firmly. The delegates to the pastoral congress certainly did not. The message was carried to Rome by Cardinal Hume and Mgr by Cardinal Hume and Mgr Worlock, and they returned rebuffed. Subsequently the Pope has reiterated the traditional line, in his official response to the synod pub-lished last year, and the impasse is as solid as ever. The Liverpool congress ap-nears nevertheless to have pears nevertheless to have drained some of the poison off, simply by letting the lay Roman Catholic voice be heard.

There remains a quite numerous section of the Catholic population, particularly older people, which loyally upholds the traditional teaching. Meanwhile the Catholic birth-rate has fallen to the point where it is fallen to the point where it is not significantly different from the rest of the population, and the majority of young married Catholics have somehow come to terms with their consciences (sometimes after a word of reassurance from a priest that the ban on contraception is perhaps not quite like other tenets of the Catholic faith, being igno-rable so long as it is ignored in a serious-minded sort of



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The Pope's contribution to ealing this division in the church was to instruct more theologians that they should produce more convincing arguments in support of the traditional line. There may be theologians who have responded, but the consensus of their peers is against them.

Most theologians who do not want trouble have directed their energies where; because if they had to say what they really thought about contraception they would be regarded as challenging the Pope's authority. It was contraception, after all, which sent the Swiss theologian Hans Kung in his exploration of the origins and limits of papal authority on moral matters, and he was stripped of his title as a Catholic theologian by the Vatican as a result.

Theologians have generally avoided writing about sexua matters, just as bishops and priests, in England at any rate, have avoided preaching about them. It is not a healthy situation, and heavy George Brock | What they meant was clear papal emphasis on the issue can only make it worse.

How the anti-lead lobby fuelled the petrol debate DHSS officials present at the it will be a rare example of ences at official level".

As the international gurus of the lead poisoning controversy converge on London this weekend for a conference organized by the aggressive campaign dedicated to embarrassing the government into taking lead out of petrol, it is worth assessing how far that crusade has gone and in which direction. By the end of the year, the Campaign for Lead-Free Air, sition parties to take up lead-

free petrol policies; it has recharged and polarized a debate which looked set to fade in the aftermath of last year's government decision to cut but not eliminate lead from petrol. In the face of the issue's almost unique capacity for arousing public anxiety over child health, government ministers are looking for appeasing appeasing looking measures.

The Times has now investi-gated how the original government announcement came to be made. The findings show that it was a prolonged barter over tan-gled priorities, and in the end the ministers went down the line of least expensive resist-ance, Muddled evidence that the invisible and tasteless lead perosol emitted by car exhausts may damage children's intelligence was traded against the health and safety of British Leyland and the government's unwilling-ness to do anything which cost money about other crucial sources of lead pollution. If the campaign wins, mental departmental differ- their department by the cars.

moral politics defeating real-

The negotiation began in November 1979 when a working party of civil servants, chaired by Mr John Row-cliffe, a Department of the Environment under-secretary in charge of the ministry's Central Directorate of Enstarted to digest two documents: the "Lawther Report", a Government-commissioned study of lead.

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The only and the filter of the filter of the stacles thrown up by government spokesmen from the little by the end of 1985. It was performed study of lead. missioned study of lead pollution, and a lesser-known but equally important report written by a civil serviceindustry committee on the costs and implications of various possible decisions about petrol lead (known by its acronym as the WOPLIP report). The working party was to sit for almost 18 months before presenting a months before presenting a divided report to a cabinet am."

committee and was attended by, or heard from the departments of health, transport, environment, energy, committee's view.
industry, the Treasury and
London Transport.

According to a Department
of Frank Views and Department committee, Dr William Yule DHSS and the DoE began by arguing that not only should there be an immediate cut in the lead content of petrol, but that it should be ac-

companied by "a further commitment to lead-free petrol". "Some progress has been made", said the note, "in establishing wider areas of agreement, but it is not possible to resolve the funda-

Contrary to the claims of

from traffic and other sourcleast several of his colleagues meant that the lead level in petrol should be reduced until it reached zero. "I was in favour" Professor Lawther said last week, "and I still "Progressively means

of Energy internal memorand Dr Richard Lansdown, and more July 1980, both the presented the preliminary DHSS and the DoE began by findings of some research which they had been asked to do by the committee to test American surveys which suggested an association between lead levels and reductions in intelligence. Although when the re-search was published almost

a year later, its conclusions were hedged with cautions,

meeting created a fear that are challenged by the anti-

Its only recommendations since the launch of the new on the subject said that CLEAR campaign there are "emissions of lead to the air two problems still seen as from traffic and other sourcinsuperable. No solution to es should be progressively the problem which would reduced"; Lawther and at really alter lead levels in the

atmosphere was going to be cheap and the dilemma was to settle where the costs should fail. If there was to be a sharp cut but nothing else, the cost fell on the oil am." "Progressively ultimately to phase it out." a gradual phase-out of ultimately to phase it out." a gradual phase-out of the added that he thought completely, there would be a the added that he thought slightly higher national fuel the costs consumption and the costs would fall on the car manufacturers. The Department of Indus-

try argued that a move to lead-free petrol ahead of the rest of Europe would weaken
British Leyland during the
transition. If foreign car
manufacturers were better
placed to sell cars in Britain running on lead-free, production lines would have to be adapted to make both leadfree and leaded petrol engines and that any increase in the cost of cars or fuel the reports brought back to might depress demand for

Contrary to the claims of both the attackers and the defenders of lead, the health and environment officials had some muted support for their stand from the Lawther committee. The committee of experts published its report three months after the working party first met and to a same at the lead that are challenged by the anti-lead campaigners, they have nounce a cautious cut in lead and to so far found many converts in. Whitehall. And the safety of British Leyland would have found a receptive ledge of its, dangers. But during that autumn, the push towards the lead-free position was being abandoned. Why?

While all these arguments

ecological questions, but micro-industrial problems. Ministers have sometimes argued that EEC regulations prevent a move to lead-free petrol, citing either the directive which says that governments should not set lead levels lower than .15g/1 or suggesting that foreign manufacturers of leaded petrol cars might claim that the change would be a barrier to selling their cars in Britain, The minimum limit is

regarded in Whitehall as being changeable if any country wants to lower it. The articles of the Treaty of Rome which deal with the trade restraint exempt any restrictions which can be justified by the protection of human or animal life or health." Neither of these problems approaches the dimensions of the two main snags.

The second of those was a scale of priorities which has ensured that because major and immediate action on the sources of lead pollution is hard, full action on the sensus that petrol lead is a minor contributor to each person's "burden" of lead; new evidence appears to challenge that assumption. None of the departments at the discussions were pre-pared to spend extra money

minor sources will have to

wait. The Government

accepted the scientific con-

to help replumb buildings with lead piping or to redecorate houses with flaking leaded paint; on those crucial sources, action has been confined to exhortation and the extension of the home improvement grant home improvement grant scheme to cover new piping.

polarised confronof the last few tations months have obscured the fact that there are medical voices which combine scepticism about the evidence with an advocacy of eliminating lead. Professor Michael Rutter, a professor of child psychiatry who was retained by the Lawther committee to review the evidence on lead and intelligence calls the research "muddy" but says that the government should "play safe." As Professor Lawther himself put it: "I personally think that banning lead from petrol will only mean a drop of 10 or 15 per cent of each person's lead and there are far worse sources. But OK if the world wants to pay for that much, who am I to wish pollution in

Alf you wash up during the Falklands, I'll dry during the

sleeping outcry over sleeping arrangements for unmarried couples, which need not concern

What I do wonder is whether anybody took any notice of her advice that invitations should be kept off the drawing-room man-telpiece. PHS's mantel carries nothing but a stopped clock, some half-burnt candles, assorted ornaments and a few old corks,

to hurt neighbours and friends who see that the recipients have

selves would not be welcome There is I believe, some mention in Trollope, though the mantelpiece there may have been in the seemly privacy of a bedroom or

the like.
PHS's polite advice to those who are still flaunting cards is: "Do as I do. Get a date-file and keep it by your writing desk."

Just playing dead Chris Galer, who sent his manu-script radio play Thin Ice a birthday card after it had been languishing in the drama pro-duction offices of BBC Radio Wales for a year, has now received a reply from Cardiff. It is a mourning card, inscribed on the front: "In Deepest Sym-pathy". Inside it says: "Thoughts of deepest sympathy are with you at this sad time."

All is not lost, though. The producer's secretary explains that the script is still alive, though neglected because her boss has had pleurisy. Galer is now sending the producer a "Get Well Soon" card.

Diary quiz

In this week's news: How was it that APTs upped both off the track and down

the pan? Does an attempt to disguise garlicky breath with peppermint end in failure? What were Gimcrack's win nings at the Two Thousand Guineas meeting at New-market?

Who has been reliving her agonies in America? Answers here on Monday.

Nye's widow says no to another BBC TV request

, Baroness Lee, the widow of Aneurin Bevan, has cancelled her engagement to appear on the BBC 2 programme Did you see...? tomorrow night. The reason is the offence she took at what she calls the "umplumbable vulgarity" of the script of Paul Ferris's dramadocumentary Nye, which BBC 1 screened last weekend.

Baroness Lee refused to help Ferris, with his research in preparation for the play, though he did talk for six hours with John Hartley, the actor who played her husband. In the event she found the play "a travesty, creating a completely wrong impression."

No doubt Nue is intended to be a major topic on this week's Did you see ... ? Baroness Lee's place has been taken by Jill Craigie, the wife of Michael Foot who succeeded Bevan in his Ebbw Vale constituency and is his biographer. Foot himself was the first to be invited. "Jill Craigie is fine". Baroness Lee told me yesterday. "She will represent the views of both Michael and myself. Michael was like a younger brother in our family."

Curbing cuts

One of the sensational aspects of the long parliamentary career of the late Lord Janner, who died this week, was his ultimately successful campaign against

flick-knives. In 1954 he astounded the Commons by brandishing such a weapon in the quickly intimidated into tightening restrictions on their sale.

The incident is well-remem-bered here because my colleague Laurie Weston, then a young journalist in Leicester, was an accomplice before the act. It was he who suggested the idea to Janner, and who bought the knife on his behalf.

Front-runner

Among the runners in Sunday's London Marathon PHS's money is on Richard Paice. I do not take him to win, but I hope he finishes hecause he has come from Cairn to raise money by running the race for the Brooke Hospital for Animals in Egypt.

This institution originated in the philanthropy of Dorothy Brooke, the wife of a British cavalry officer, who was appalled at the fate of 22,000 British war horses sold to the Egyptians at the end of the First World War and worked there for long years afterwards. The hospital's clinics are still

hard at work in Cairo, Luxor and Alexandria, tending as many as 9,000 broken-down equines a

Artistic thanks The parish of Upton-cum-Chelvey in Slough has devised a pretty have damaged East Falkland's gift to thank Rosalind Runcie, recently re-established colonies the planist wife of the Arch- of king penguins in reserves at bishop of Canterbury, who is Volunteer Point and on Kidney giving a recital in aid of their Island nearby. The kings are the church restoration fund in the largest and most beautiful of the

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founder and vice-president of Donkey Breed Society

Robin Borwick,

reacted eagerly to my mention that the Shropshire and West Midlands Agricultural Society

by the artist, Kate

"cattle, horses, sheep, even don-keys". Since 1967, he says, his society has encouraged its members to breed only from the best stock, which has resulted in the virtual elimination of uneven donkens. This, I suppose, is what they call asinine humour. large Victorian church of St islands' five breeding penguin bunch of flowers, she will be given a presentation goblet en-

show would hold classes for

of a previous rector and was herself married in St Mary's. Is it a deliberate refinement of the torture of travel by tube that London Transport places cigarette advertisements in almost every non-smoking compartment on the Central Line?

Mary's tomorrow. Instead of a

Richardson, who is the daughter

Save the king

Even in Togo there was no getting away from the Falkland Islands dispute. While in Lome I met Michael Dunn, a Californian expedition guide, who returned from the islands earlier this year.

His principle concern was that Britain's bombing raids on the Stanley airport runway might have damaged East Falkland's

species, and were previously subject to depredation in the whaling days when their oil was used in lamps. Ecologically, Dunn said, the Falklands are as valuable as the Galapagos.

Visitors barred

Dating back to her childhood in Buenos Aires, Jill Goulder has an Argentine version of Monopoly. It is called Estanciero and features Argentine provinces. The chief difference from the English version of the game is that there is no "Visiting" in gaol. If you land on gaol you are behind bars and that's it.

Out for the count

Hay-fever sufferers in the Irish Republic have been caught up in the Falklands affray. The pollen trap used by the Department of Botany at Dublin's Trinity College to take the daily pollen count, normally published at this time of year was lent to the British Antarctic Survey team in the South Atlantic and its return

Free flight A housemaster at Culford School, Bury St Edmunds, has been making a study of pigeon post. John Humphries tells me that

has been hampered by hostilities.

It will not now reach Dublin until

pigeon-fanciers of the Suffolk and Essex Border Federation hire a lorry, a driver and a liberator to take their pigeons on a three-day journey to Thurso in the north of Scotland. The cost per bird, at

38p, comfortably undercuts the Post Office. The birds' own performance onthe return journey is even more impressive. Not only do they travel free, but with a followingwind a bird released in Thurso at 5 am can be back in its Ipswich loft at any time from 3.30 pm.

A heaven-ward glance while walking along Old Bailey reveals that Justice's scale pans are leaky. The sky can be seen through holes in the centre of each pan in the gilt statue's balance. The Central Criminal Court assures me that Justice is not giving short weight. The holes are there to let rainwater out.

Polite mantel

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Debrett's Etiquette and Modern Manners appears in plebeian paperback today, published by Pan at a not too impudent f2.50. Elsie Burch Donald, the editor, tells me that there has been no argument with her edicts since the book was first published last year, save some well-publicized

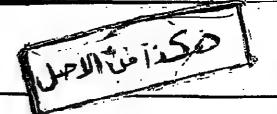
but in homes I visit I still see the fireplace surrounds osten-tatiously decked with cards This curious custom of display is well-entrenched in upper circles, though it is plainly liable

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BEYOND THE BATILE

It is now evident that intense diplomatic activity is taking place in an attempt to find a place in an attempt to find a negotiated solution to the Falklands crisis. In itself that is all to the good. What is required is a just settlement, and it would obviously be better if that can be brought about without the shedding of any more blood. But it should not be assumed that any not be assumed that any negotiated settlement must by its very nature be a just one. There are certain criteria that must be satisfied if negotiations are not simply to offer diplomatic clothing for a failure to enforce a prin-

The first criterion was set out by Mrs Thatcher at question time yesterday: "there can be no ceasefire unless it is accompanied by withdrawal which is fully and properly supervised." Otherwise a ceasefire would simply provide a lull in the conflict which would not only leave the Argentine in full control of the islands but would also enable it to pour in supplies so that its troops would be much better equipped to withstand a further blockade if the ceasfire were to break down. This would mean that a ceasefire, far from being the first step towards a reasonable settlement, would remove all military pressure from the Argentine to make any further concessions.

Mrs Thatcher also said: "there must be a process as to the timing, sequence and verification of events." The phraseology is interesting. It is not quite the same as saying that the Argentine forces must clear out of the islands before anything else can be discussed. It allows for the possibility of allows for the possibility of a phased procedure, with interlocking arrangements, provided that Britain was not required to act simply on the basis of Argentine protestations of good faith. There would have to be adequate proof that at any particular stage they had actually done what they had undertaken to do.

These are questions requiring delicate judgment. It would be unwise for British public opinion to seek in advance to tie the hands of their negotiators on points of detail. Some flexibility will be required if there is to be a chance of reaching any agreement. But it is right to insist that whatever arrangements for withdrawal are made must be absolutely precise. It will be necessary to take great pains to ensure that what is thought to be a phased settlement does not turn out to be, an unconditional cease-

For the longer term there are a number of possibilities. It is not, and has never been

proughout this crisis, part of he British case to insist that he Falklands must remain termanently under British furisdiction. This is not a continuous conflict. What is at sue is the right of the danders not to be forced to in another state or even to bmit to its overall control alainst their will. This is a reht that must be observed if any settlement is to be re-garded as a just one. That does not mean that the Faklanders alone should be ade to choose their future constitutional status, or that they need to be involved in every stage of the nego-tiation; nor does it mean that ther previous constitutional status cannot be changed. A lasing settlement, which must be in their interest as much as anybody else's, may in he long term require that the issue should be internationalised in one way or another to achieve their gretter security, which is the universal aim. One possibility would clearly be some form of United Nations trusteeship, But whatever is agreed must ultinately receive the en-dorsement of the islanders thenselves, freely given, in circumstances of undisputed freetom. That should not be too much to ask of an interpational organisation that subscribes to the principle of self-determination.

THE ITALIAN REVIVAL

that the Italian system has survived the acute crisis through which it passed in the mid-1970s. For all its

disgust at the corruption and

despair at the incompetence of the Christian Democrats.

the nation did not throw itself

into the arms of the Commu-

One can now see, however,

The election of Signor Ciriaco de Mita as Secretary-General of the Italian Christian of the Italian of the Italian Christian Democrat party probably brings closer the end of Signor Giovanni Spadolini's government founded on the co-operation of Christian Democrats and Socialists. Signor de Mita represents the wing of Christian Democracy which is hostile to the ambitions of the Socialist leader, Signor Bettino Craxi, and willing to consider a new and willing to consider a new arrangement with the Communists (short of giving them seats inside the cabinet) in order to recapture the premiership for the Christian Democrats, who believe that a the largest party they have

a right to it. Italian governmental poli-tics are a bizarre and byzan-tine game whose details are followed only by the immediate players, while the rest of the world finds it aimcuit even to pretend to take an Only occasionally are the contours of Italian politics thrown into sudden: and lurid relief by a dramatic spotlight, as happened in 1975-6 when the Communists seemed on the threshold of government, or again in 1978 during the appalling calvary of Aldo Moro. Even then, attention soon wandered. The drama itself was stark enough, but the reactions of the Italian political forces to it were too complex for an impatient foreign opinion to

nists. Nor did it succumb to the onslaught of terrorism by abandoning democracy and calling in an authoritarian government. The state, a perennial object of resentment and contempt for most. Italians, quivered under the shock but did not collapse, and has now begun a counterattack. General Dozier's rescue and the current trial of Signor Moro's killers are. striking results. The economy, whose dynamism had been slowed by the "bot autumn" of 1969 and then apparently broken by the

and begun to pick up again. In spite of massive public debt and high inflation, growth has resumed in the current year, and exports amount to 25 per cent of gross national product: But Italy has not only

survived the crisis. Something more positive has happened, something new has been born — variously described as "a state", "a democracy" or "a nation". Hitherto, Italian loyalties have been focussed: either at local or at supranational level. Both Christian Democracy and the Communist Party, the forces which have dominated postwar Italian politics, were expressions of transnational ideologies building on local bonds and local frievances, uninterested in the Italian state as such except as a source of patronage and power.

Now more than a hundred years after the formal unifi-cation of the country, the state has begun to come into its own, symbolized by the active presidency of Signor Pertiniand the premiership of Signor Spadolini, both mem-bers of the secular elite identified with the Risorgimento.

"laici" - the small secular parties of the centre - and the big ideological parties,
Communist and Christian
Democrat, may itself be berate, the intensity and the scale
rate, the intensity and the scale Christian Democrats are bringing on to the stage a new generation of leaders, and are beginning to function more as a national party while the Church, their natural patron, is gradually withdrawing from Italian politics under its non-Italian head. The Communists too, over Poland, have broken more decisively and convincingly than ever with their supranational patron. Even under the leadership of these two parties, a truly national, truly democratic state may be gradually emerg-

AMERICA'S EXPOSED ECONOMY

The problem of the dollar has dominated the internatorial monetary scene for more than ten years. It is the dollar's role in the world monetary system that makes the rest of the world so keenly aware of what is happening to domestic American economic policy: and interest rates. The one country which has shown little interest in the dollar's exchange rate is the United States. The Reagan Administration has stresseed again and again that it will not intervene in foreign exchange markets to change the value of the

Now a group of the world's leading experts on the world's financial system, including some of the most influential central bankers, has rec-ommended that the United States should reconsider its attitude. Their views ought to be taken to heart by the American Administration and should be pressed on Mr Donald Regan, the Treasury Secretary, by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when the two men meet in London

The suggestion comes from the Group of Thirty, a "think tank" led by Dr Johannes

Witteveen, the former Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund. group says that the United States should show greater willingness to intervene in foreign exchange markets and should cut its budget deficit. It says that the United States economy is no longer capable of being run as if it were selfcontained. Other nations in the world have had to learn the painful lessons of interdependence since the war. Until recently the sheer size of the American economy seemed to exempt it from this

A greater openness to international trade also means that American inflation is more susceptible to big falls in the value of the dollar. It is tempting for governments to want to cut down on the number of economic variables which they are trying to control. But the United States now has great reasons of its own for wanting the external value of the dollar to stay relatively stable if it wants the internal value of its currency to stay stable. In that sense, the United States has become an open economy in the way that small countries such as

Britain and Sweden are open economies.

The case for saying that a stable dollar is in America's interests is thus very strong. Opponents of intervention do not usually deny this overtly any longer. But they say that intervention is bound to end up destabilising foreign exchange markets, not stabil-ising them. There is no basis for this assertion. It is true that intervention alone cannot fight against underlying forces. But properly used it can do something to cut down the often irrational swings which occur in markets with floating exchange rates. The Administration ought to open its mind to this possibility...

It should also, as the report stresses, ensure that it does not end up with a tough domestic monetary policy and a loose fiscal policy pulling in opposite directions. The signs a compromise between the White House and Senate Republicans on taxes in the conung years are an encouraging step in the right direction. But futher progress to cut the deficit is going to be needed if the markets are going to be convinced.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Dr Derck Sayer

Belgrano, with the probable loss of several hundred lives, set me thinking about the constancy of the principles in whose name politicians commit mass murder.

Some years ago Mr Ian Smith usurped British sovereignty in

Rhodesia with the explicit aim of denying several million British subjects the right to self-determi-

nation. I do not recall the party of Mr Foot and (as it then was)

Dr Owen instantly despatching a task force to make the world safe

for democracy. And the Churchil-lian noises from the other side of the house had less to do with the need not to appease dictators than with "kith and kin".

Sir, It is ironic that in the present

crisis with Argentina you should have felt it necessary to hold out

your "Prisoner of Conscience" column (note, May 4)

Sir, With reference to Mr Roberts's letter in The Times (April 29), is it not possible that the West may be moving into a new phase in world history when

new phase in world history when reliance upon formal declaration of war and the laws of war, as drawn up by the Geneva Conventious of the past, is becoming out of date? Perhaps we should be seeing the presence of the British lask force in the South Atlantic (Entebbe, and the failed attempt by America to rescue the Iranian

by America to rescue the Iranian hostages being earlier examples)

as the emergence of a police-like action, normally operative within the confines of a nation, which is

From Captain P. D. Tatton-Brown, R.N.

Sir, It is clear from the Falkland

Islands crisis that nuclear wea-

pons cannot be used to protect British territory. We cannot use

them to get Argentina to remove her troops from British soil. So a

small country without nuclear

weapons is not helpless in the

face of a bigger one with them. So much for nuclear blackmail. Will our politicians never learn

that nuclear warheads are the

most useless weapons. They

cannot be used to fight a war.

Not only is there no sensible use

for them whatsoever, no same person could ever find one; they

are too ghastly.

If our politicians now learn this there is some hope for peace.

trace of one has ever been found.

The manuscripts, however, are indeed books made with stamped letters, and their unique nature

and date and approximate locali-zation corresponds with the legend. Perhaps it originally

meant nothing more than this. If

was in Haarlem. It could also have been Utrecht, 30 miles away, although the style is not

so, we can dismiss it at last. Dr Hellinga is quite right to say that there is now no proof that the illuminator's workshop

PETER TATTON-BROWN,

Yours faithfully,

Brayford, Barustaple, Devon.

Grasspark,

now entering the realm international affairs.

ISOBEL BUTTERFIELD, The Master's Lodge, Downing College,

Yours faithfully,

Cambridge.

Yours sincerely. DEREK SAYER,

Glasgow. May 4.

Department of Sociology, University of Glasgow, 61 Southpark Avenue,

From Mr John A Flood

Yours faithfully.

Leamington Spa

From Lady Butterfield

John A Flood Newhaven Leicester Lane

The Falklands: seeking a diplomatic solution

From Mr Peter Vis

Sir, With the saddening loss of the Sheffield, and more particu-larly the 30 men's lives, there is an even greater urgency for an ending of hostilities in the South Atlantic. It further stresses the need for a ceasefire, and for a new peaceful initiative to be taken. The alternative seems only the hear constitutions and very to be a continuance, and very possibly a further escalation, of this state of undeclared warfare, which can only lead to a further loss of life. Surely more people are recognizing now that the hostilities are getting increasing-

by out of proportion.

But the need for the Government itself to call for a ceasefire needs to be stressed all the more in view of the increasing difficulty for Britain to come out of the crisis "with honour", and without increasing the already excessively high price paid in terms of human life. With British lives having been lost the Govern-ment may feel that there is an even greater pressure to achieve something more than could have been achieved by previous nego-tiations. There is now too great a danger of the Government adopting the political inclination to go on, and even escalate action, rather than draw back and give a negotiated settlement another chance.

To go on would be to undertake a hazardous political and military gamble. It is not too late to negotiate: in fact, to do so is imperative if more lives are not to be lost. The Government should instigate moves for a snould insugate moves for a ceasefire and recognise that discretion, and a little more flexibility in our negotiating position, may be the less spectacular but undoubtedly more expedient solution. Please let us learn the tragic lesson of Tuesday's action. . I remain, Sir, Yours faithfully, PETER VIS.

St Catharine's College. Cambridge. May 5. From Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark, MP for Selly Oak (Con-

servative)

Sir, I have been surprised that usually intelligent people have been saying that they disapprove of Argentina's action in the Falklands and that it was right to send a task force, and yet immediately casualties arise it

In the history of conflict, there has never been a painless war because there is an inability of able, rational people to control irrational events, and the Falk lands is such an irrational event, But the quarrel between the thinking people. The trouble is laici. — the small secular with conflicts as with this one, they are always started by

Argentina can be brought, not to unconditional surrender but to unconditional negotiations, we must prepare ourselves for more sacrifices and a time scale that we are not contemplating at the present or, of course, desire. George, Ball, a distinguished American wrote to Robert McNamara; the -- Secretary -- of Defence during the Vietnam crisis in October 1964, words that

Capital punishment

From Mr M. D. Cawte . . . Sir, My understanding of Mr. Fairbairn's piece on the availability of capital punishment (April 27) is that whilst measures

such as he advocates would introduce into proceedings a menacing uncertainty for the prospective criminal yet they need scarcely to be called into use. The sureness of their effect would be as a deterrent.
I am more dubious than Mr. Fairbairn: beautifully constructed paradoxes may not always hold in application. Unless the genuine availability of the capital penalty were demonstrated from time to time in

crimes of, for example, burglary, which Mr. Pairbairn cites, that availability would rapidly become as theoretical as it may now be in the case of dockyard arson.

Yet how to distinguish which crimes are worthy of becoming, for want of another phrase, demonstration pieces? Mr. FitzGibbon (letter, April 29) is right: Her Majesty's judges are not foolish; they are not arbitrary either. They work according to a code of honourable precedent and long standing practice. Their judgement are not their own merely, but are informed by the decisions of collective judiciary exercised through the ages.

To transfer the exercise of that responsibility to, however diligent, a body of untrained jurors, as. Mr. Pairbairn suggests, would add an insufferable burden to the jury-system and create in the administration of the law an arbitrariness which many would find unacceptable.

Mr. FitzGibbon raises a further

point the majority may realize by instinct? the necessity of hanging but in matters of life and the law one hopes that a little more discrimination than that might be used in judging the matter. Instinct is a bad legislator, a worse policeman, and a truly unspeakable hangman.

Mr. FizeGibbon may, with Milton, feel that the instincts of the elect, if not of the elected, are surely guided by a right reason: I should have no such certainty but would beg, with Cromwell, to think it possible that at times they might be WIONE.

Yours etc. MARTIN CAWTE, Hollingbury Court, Warninglid, Near Haywards Heath, Sussex. April 29.

all of our aggressors and de-fenders should have on our

desks: "It is the nature of escalation

"It is the nature of escalation that each move passes the option to the other side, while at the same time the party which seems to be losing will be tempted to keep raising the ante. To the extent that the response to a move can be controlled, that move is probably ineffective. If the move is affective it may not be possible effective it may not be possible to control or accurately anticipate the response. Once on the tiger's back we cannot be sureof picking the place to dismount."

These comments were true then and they are true even to the Falklands Islands conflict today. One thing, however, is certain, the Government cannot be faulted in their resolve and conduct and deserve out backing for the instant recognition they have accounted made that if have properly made that if democracies are not prepared for sacrifices and shy away from casualties we will all inevitably eventually live under dictatorships of one kind or another. Your obedient servant.

ANTHONY BEAUMONT-DARK. House of Commons, May 5.

From Mr T. E. Wilkerson Sir, On his most recent_return from Washington the Foreign Secretary claimed yet again that one of our aims in the present dispute with Argentina is to show that armed aggression must not succeed. May I venture to

It is simply not our business to deliver moral homilies, whether to Argentina or to the rest of the world, particulary when the homilies are delivered by an enormous task force. The only question that should concern us is whether the British inhabitants of the Falkland Islands are to be appeared. governed, against their will, by the military forces of a thoroughly pasty regime. Yours faithfully.

T. E. WILKERSON,
Department of Philosophy,
University of Nottingham,
University Park,
Nottingham.

From Canon Eric James Sir, Would it help negotiations on the Falklands on the crucial question of sovereignty to re-member the words of the Foreign Office minister, Lord Trefgarne, office minister, Lord Treigarne, speaking for the Government on the British Nationality Bill, first, last July: "I must remind your Lordships that however strong the affection the fact remains that the Falklands are not and never have been a part of the United Kingdom."

And, secondly, last October, on the same Bill: "We cannot grant British citizenship to the peoples of one dependent territory and expert the others to stand idly

Cléarly the Government did not want the Falklands to be British - or, at any rate, not fully British.

Yours sincerely, ERIC JAMES, Hon Director, Christian Action, 43 Holywell Hill, St Albans, Hertfordshire. May 5.

Origins of printing

From Dr Christopher de Hamel Sir, Dr Lotte Hellinga (April 24) makes several wise points of caution concerning the suggestion in the Sotheby catalogue of the Donaueschingen sale of manuscripts on June 21 that faint printed initials in a well defined group of Dutch manuscript Books of Hours may be connected with the famous legend of a Dutchman experimenting with stamping printed letters around 1430, the approximate date of the

manuscripts in question. .I should like to make two small points: the first is that the group of manuscripts was first noticed by Professor J. D. Farquhar, to whom credit should go for this remarkable observation. The second is that by associating the marks with the old Coster story I had no thought of undermining the certain fact that printing with movable type was devised in Mainz around

The new hypothesis, if true, would in fact neatly explain away the foolish Coster legend. Laurens Coster is said to have used stamped letters for making books and it was always supposed with hindsight that this meant whole books or block books. No

typical of that city.

But one cannot say that the appearance of St Donatian in the calendar points only to Flanders, as this saint, like Bavo, Remigius and others, occurs in all medieval Netherlandish calendars.

If the manuscript had not included St Bayo (patron saint of Haarlem and of Ghent) one could have excluded Haarlem as the place of manufacture. As it is, all one can say is that if the Coster legend could refer only to printed letters of this curious type, then this group of manuscript Books of Hours is consistent with the story.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER DE HAMEL, Southeby Parke Bernet & Co, Bloomfield Place, off New Bond Street, W1. May 4.

eyes — surely the province of architects rather than controllers — should be the main objective.

Farrell's compention entry, article, April 23) most people would, I suspect, prefer to look

Delight in achitecture has to be

paid for. Failure to accept this proposition leads only to drab

buildings. They may cost less money but over the years we all

pay for them with sore eyes.

Yours faithfully,

Down by the riverside

From Mr Terence Bendixson Sir, The President of the Metropolitan Planning Officers' Society (May 3) offers a choice in Thames-side development between "an overall approach" and "a series of piecemeal decisions", and he criticises Mr Heseltine, the Environment Sec-retary, for being a piecemealer. I am not averse to all town planning but when I stand on the steps of the Tate Gallery and look at the even-topped row of office slabs on the other side of the river (undoubtedly the outcome of and overall apprease). of and overall approach), I am struck by the awfulness of too much overall planning combined with mediocre architecture.

What sort of overall control might be appropriate on south Thames-side? I would suggest that it be confined to producing a continuous walkway, not necess-arily always tree-lined or of the same width, and to limiting the mass (not the massing) that developers are allowed to put on their sites. The latter might be called greed control.

TERENCE BENDIXSON. 18 Ifield Road, SW10. Beyond this delight for the

Use of animals in circuses

From Mr A. C. W. Hart Sir, Miss Mary Chipperfield (May attempts to justify the con-tinued use of animals in circuses by referring to the wider issue of unemployment. The exploitation of animals cannot be accepted on such specious grounds. Animal abuses are never justified because they provide someone with

cause they provide someone with a living.

The legislative process is a long one. There is further delay before enforcement. Circuses should have ample time in which to make suitable provision for their animals. The onus is firmly on the circus industry. It created

on the circus industry. It created the problem in the first place. The difficulties would be eased substantially if the zoos and safari parks did not provide animals for circuses.

On prosecutions, it is the RSPCA's view that existing legislation is inadequate and needs up-dating. Miss Chipperfield cannot be suggesting that there have been no advances in ethological and veterinary sciences since the Protection of Animals Act in 1911.

The anomalies of the law will be high-lighted when the Zoo Licensing Act 1981 is enforced. Zoos will then be under an obligation to keep their animals in regulated conditions. Circuses will remain exempted and may continue to house animals in accommodation which the PSPCA and increasing numbers accommodation which the RSPCA and increasing numbers of the public regard as wholly unacceptable. Yours faithtfully,

ANELAY HART, Chairman of the Council, Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty of Animals, auseway, Horsham, West Sussex. May 4.

John Walters case

Mr Peter Hill and Mr Martin Sir, Our film about John Walters

in the Rough Justice series was not at all incorrect in its reference to forensic evidence. Dr Raymond Williams (letter, April 29) will recall that evidence was brought at the trial that a laboratory liaison officer was seen by a police witness handling the clothes of both accused and victim while he moved them from

plastic to paper bags ready for subsequent analysis. The defence suggested, as we said in the film, that this was how the fibres from John Walters' clothes could have come to be on the clothes of the victim, Miss Auffret. We are, of course, aware of the techniques used to analyse the cotton fibres. Our film included the main points of the forensic evidence presented at the trial evidence presented at the blocand and repeated in Dr Williams' letter. We did not dispute the analysis and neither did Dr Julius Geant himself a leading fibres expert and forensic scientist. What Dr Grant did do, however,

was to raise the important

question about why there were no fibres to be found on the victim's clothes from the torn synthetic lining of Mr Waters' jacket. Yours faithfully,

PETER HILL, MARTIN YOUNG, British Broadcasting Corporation, Lime Grove Studios, W10.

Tent pegging

From Colonel Iain Ferguson Sir, During a recent visit to Pakistan to watch the national tent pegging championships I asked the Commanding Officer of The President's Bodyguard (the Pakistan equivalent of The Household Cavalry) about the origin of the words "tent peg-

ng".
Without hesitation he assured me that the sport is so called after the manner in which the Pathans attacked, by night, British Army camps during the operations on the North West

Frontier. The first wave of attackers rode into the camp throwing burning brands among the tents. As soon as the canvas was ablaze the second wave rode in and, with their lances, took the pegs out of the ground so bringing the burning tents down on the

sleeping soldiers.
This summer a team of eight Pakistani tribesmen will be coming to the Royal Tournament demonstrate their incredible skill at this sport. But are they right about the origins? While I have my doubts I have found nobody who can give any other explanation for the name. Yours faithfully.

IAIN FERGUSON Director the Royal Tournament, Horse Guards, Whitehall, SW1.

Novel on Greece

— should be the main objective. Mr Heseltine seems to recognise this and the competition for the Vauxhall Bridge site shows the fruits of such an approach.

Those convinced of the need for town planners to have the last word in development will say that the cost of eye-catching shapes and rooflines has been made From Miss Mary Renault

Sir, While I appreciated the

friendliness with which Dennis Hackett (April 19) reviewed my television interview by David Sweetman, may I point out that I never did, or said I did, write my first novel about Greece without and rooflines has been made possible because Mr. Heseltine has relaxed greed control. This seems to be the case, but given the choice between less profitable development. having been there.?

Even the imposing examples set by Grote and Gibbon did not convince me that this would be a development plus nondescript slabs and, for instance, tiers of baroque pavilions containing more rentable space (Mr Terry

good thing. I began it before going, and said so; after writing a couple of chapters I set out, and stayed in Greece for some months. Some of The Last of the Wine was actually written in Athens .

Yours etc. MARY RENAULT, 3 Atholl Road, Camps Bay, Cape 8001, South Africa. April 29

Poplar councillors

From Mr Robert Latham.

Sir, Your leader on the Camden Council (April 30) implies that prison in the 1920s because they refused to pay the surcharge imposed on them for introducing the £4 minimum wage for their

employees. This was not the case. They were imprisoned for refusing to levy the rate imposed by the London County Council. This enabled them to spend more in

helping the unemployed while simultaneously reducing the local rate burden on their electors. They emerged from prison vic-torious since the rating system was radically transformed as a

result of their protest. The case of the £4 minimum wage paid to the employees came a little later. Although the law provided that the council could pay such wages "as they think fit", the district auditor did not think that the words in the Act meant what they said, and neither did the judges when the case went to the courts.

By the time the Law Lords had found in the auditor's favour, the surcharges totalled over £60,000. But the councillors never paid the surcharges and never went to prison. The Minister of Health quashed the surcharges and in turn got himself into trouble with the law. The detailed story is told in a recent book Poplarism by Noreen Branson.

Yours etc. ROBERT LATHAM: 10 Albert Street. Camden Town, NWL.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
May 6: Mr W. J. A. Wilberforce
was received in audience by TheQueen and kissed hands upon his
appointment as British High
Commissioner to the Republic of Cyprus.
Mrs Wilberforce had the

honour of being received by Her

The Queen received the Bishop of Worcester (the Right Rever-end Philip Harold Ernest Goodrich), who was introduced into Her Majesty's presence by the Her Majesty's presence by the Right Hon Peter Walker, MP (Minister of Agriculture, Fish-erics and Food) and did Homage upon his appointment.

The Queen received the Bishop of Blackburn (the Right Reverend David Stewart Cross), who was introduced into Her Majesty's presence by the Right Hon Peter Walker, MP (Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) and did Homage upon his appointment.

the Oath. The Bishop of Bath and Wells (Clerk of the Closer to The Queen) and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in

The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Lord Rupert Nevill, this morning attended a Game Conservation International Convention at the Churchill Hotel, London, WI.

His Royal Highness, Air Commodore-in-Chief of the Air Training Corps, this afternoon received Air Commodore K. J. Goodwin upon relinquishing his appointment as Air Officer Commanding Air Cadets and Commandant of the Air Training Corps, and Air Commodore P. V. Mayall upon assuming the appointment.

appointment.

The Duke of Edinburgh,
Admiral of the Royal Naval
Sailing Association, this evening
presented the prizes for the
Whitbread Round the World Race at the Porter Tun Room, Whitbread Brewery, Chiswell

Forthcoming marriages

Mr T. J. L. Taylor and Miss N. A. Neck

The engagement is announced between Timothy, second son of Sir Jock and Lady Taylor, of the British Embassy, Bonn, and Nicola, younger daughter of Mrand Mrs. Allan S. Meek, of Beckenham, Kent.

and Miss 5. M. Nimball
The engagement is announced between David Alexander Somerset, son of the late Patrick Somerset Gibbs and of Lady Lathbury, of Little Hazeley House, Mortimer, Berkshire, and Marcia, elder daughter of Sir Marcus and Lady Kimball, of Great Easton Manor, Market Harborough, Leicestershire.

Mr P. J. Allen and Miss K. Kapsalis

Mr D. L. Green and Miss J. S. Yentis

Mrs Michael Green, of Edgware, Middlesex, and Julia, daughter of Dr and Mrs Irvan Yentis, of Ickenham, Middlesex.

Mr T. J. Harvey and Miss K. R. Smedley

The engagement is announced hetween Timothy, younger son of Mr and Mrs David Harvey, of Spinners, Sevenoaks, Kent, Ruth, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Smedley, of Mouseham, Burford, Oxford-

Mr N. M. R. Morrell and Miss A. J. Mackett

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs R. G. Morrell, of Arnold, Nottingham, and Alyson, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D. E. Mackett, of Alton, Hampshire.

Count Robert Pitti-Ferrandi and Mrs M. Percy-Davis

The marriage took place on April 30, at Opio, South of France, hetween Count Robert Pitti-Ferrandi and Mrs Maggie Percy Street, London, EC1, where His Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of Whitbread and Company Limited (Mr C. H. Tidbury). Captain Christopher Men-

heneott, RM was in attendance. The Duke of Edinburgh, Senior Fellow of the Fellowship of Engineering, attended the New Fellows Dinner at Apothecaries' Hall, Black Friars Lane, London, EC4 and was received upon arrival by the Secretary of the Fellowship (Mr M. W. Leonard).

Mr Richard Davies was in

CLARENCE HOUSE

May 6: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother today, visited Exhibitions in Conway and Llandudno to mark the Centenary of the Royal Cambrian Academy of Academy Academy of Art.

Her Majesty tavelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.
Lady Elizabeth Basset, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain Ashe Windham were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE Food) and did Homage upon his appointment.

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food administered Dickinson Vacutainer factory in Plymouth

Plymouth.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lady Anne Tennant.

KENSINGTON PALACE KENSINGTON PALACE
May 6; The Duke of Gloucester
this morning opened Chester-leStreet Civic Centre and in the
afternoou Royal Mail House,
Darlington.
His Royal Highness travelled
in an aircraft of The Queen's
Flight.
Lioutenant-Colonel Simon
Bland was in attendance.

Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester was resent this evening at a Concert given by children of the London Suzuki Group at St James's Palace, London.

The Hon Mrs Munro was in attendance.

Mr Colin Bagnall much regrets that, on medical advice, he was unable to attend the thanksgiving service for the life of Dr Spinks at St Margaret's, Westminster,

The engagement is announced between Graeme Donald, only son of Mr and Mrs D. H. Kirk, of

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Mr N. D. Pitel and Miss H. C. Johnson

The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs M. D. W. Pitel, of St John's Wood, London, and Helen, vounger daughter of Mr and Mrs W. E. Johnson, of Upwood, Cambridgeshire. Mr G. D. Kirk and Miss W. A. Gardner

Mr D. A. S. Gibbs and Miss S. M. Kimball

Streatham, London, and Wendy Alexandra, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs H. L. Gardner, of Nunthorpe, Cleveland. Mr R. Metcalfe and Miss M. T. Kelly The engagement is announced The engagement is announced hetween Richard, youngest son of Dr J. B. and Dr G. M. Metcalfe, of The Villa, Madeley. Shropshire, and Marie Therese, elder daughter of Licutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. J. Kelly, of The Royal Hospital, Chelsen.

The engagement is announced between Peter James, son of Mr and Mrs J. E. Allen, of Barnot, Mr W. R. A. Donsham Hertfordshire, and Katerina, and Miss C. Winkley younger daughter of the late J. G. The engagement is Kapsalis and Mrs Zena Kapsalis,

The engagement is announced between Roger, elder son of the late Mr John Densham and Mrs Dorothy Densham, of Martin, Hampshire, and Clare, younger daughter of Captain W. R. M. Winkley, of Gable House, Parbrook, Somerset, and Mrs Jane Winkley, of Wicks Cottage, Wootton Rivers, Mariburough, Witshire. The engagement is announced

Marriage

Mr A. M. Clark and Miss T. C. Hibbert-Hingston and Miss T. C. Hibbert-Hingston. The marriage took place on May 1 at the Church of St. Bartholomew, Tong, Shropshire, between Mr Anthony Clark, younger son of the Rev Vivian and Mrs Clark, of The Glebo House, Cound, or Shrewsbury, and Miss Tessa Hibbert-Hingston, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Hibbert-Hingston, of Kilsall Hall, Shifaal, Shropshire. The father of the bride groum officiated. The Bishop of Hereford, the Archdeacon of Salop, Father Giles Hibbert, OP, uncle of the bride; and the Rev Wilfred Derry, also took part in the service.

Wiffred Derry, also took part in the service.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Arabella Hill, Naomi Thorneycroft, and Miss Joanna Clark, niece of the bridegroom. Licutenant-Commander Charles Hattersley, RN, was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Watchdog for cable TV is urged

By Kenneth Gosling events, which could suddenly be withdrawn from public view and made available only to cable subscribers. It would not mean royal and parliamentary events vanishing from non-cable screens, but important sporting occasions could easily disappear from ordinary television programmes to subscriber-cable. The institute says its experience of content suggests that films remain the staple and most valued offerings of cable systems, local programming being the same and subscriber-cable.

The spread of cable television companies in Britain will require a new consumer watchdog, the British Film Institute says today in its reaction to the Cabinet Office report on cable expansion and broadcasting policy.

The institute says that cable television should have far more comprehensive public account-

television should have far more comprehensive public accountability than has attended broadcasting. The watchdog body should be one the public feels to be influential and representative and one the industry will not see as an interference but as facilitating a good relationship with its audience. with its audience.

It says the most important area It says the most important area of public intervention, — and the most difficult to achieve, — is to control content to enable fair competition with conventional television. Cable operators, it points out, could in combination outbid the BBC and independent television for important national

Rear-Admiral P. M. Stanford; aged 52, Assistant Chief of Naval Staff (Operational Requirements), who is to be promoted. Vice-Admiral and to be Vice-Chief of the Naval Staff, in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir William Staveley, from October 1. The appointment carries with it

The appointment carries with it membership of the Admiralty Board of the Defence Council.
Other appointments include:

Licutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs

aged 48, staff officer, Ministry of Defence to be private secretary to Princess Anne, in succession to Major Nicholas Lawson.

Package Proms

offer of £27

for 57 concerts

By Christopher Warman Arts Correspondent

Promenaders will be able to

Talking of the travel concessions, Mr Ponsonby said it had become obvious last year that the cost of travel was, a "major obstacle". With this new collaboration with British Rail and London Transport, the BBC

can offer savings of up to 50 per cent on travel from outside central London.

Programme details, page 13

Savoy Hotel

Ascot

Heathfield School;

valued offerings of cable systems, local programming being an additional but, not highly remunerative element. Conducted well, the process of cableing would increase the excitement and interest about new films, although it emphasized the need to ensure that spritches are not swamped with American or other overseas products: "They should still, of course, be welcome and, indeed, encour-

Latest appointments Luncheons HM Government
Mr. Francis Pym, Secretary of
State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a
luncheon held at Admiratly
House yesterday in honour of Mr
Nicos A. Rolandis, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cyprus.

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Sir Nigel Fisher, MP, deputy

Sir Nigel. Fisher, MP, deputy chairman, Commonwealth Parliamentary. Association. United Kingdom branch, and Mr Ernest Armstrong, MP, joint honorary treasurer, were hosts at a luncheoff given at the House of Commons vesterday, by the executive committee of the United Kingdom branch, in honour of the 22 Commonwealth parliamentarians attending the 1982. Parliamentary visit Butchers' Company

1982 Parliamentary visit
Butchers' Company
Mr N. L. Hall, Deputy Master of
the Butchers' Company presided
at a court huncheon held
yesterday at Butchers' Hall, Lord
Macpherson of Drumochter and
Captain Angus Baber also spoke.
The other guests included:
Captain P of Cruickshant, the
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Dinners

Castaways Club
The annual dinner of the
Castaways Club was held at
Carpenters' Hall last night.
Lieutenant-Commander W. G. D.
Montagu presided. Among those Mr Benjamin G. Jones to be president of the Society of Cymmrodorlon, in succession to Sir Thomas Purry.

MUNICIPA PARAMENT PARAMENTAL SIPPESCRIT WEIE:
Admirel Sir Wellam Davis, Admiral Sir Pesmond Dreyer, Admiral Sir James L'herle. Admiral Sir Nigel Henderson, Admiral Sir Henry Leach, Admiral Sir Chatles Madden, Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Berger, Vice-Admiral Sir Gerard Mansheld, Vice-Admiral Sir Lean Rables, Vice-Admiral Sir John Rabher, Vice-Admiral Sir John Rabher, Vice-Admiral Sir John Rabher, Vice-Admiral Sir John Rabher, Vice-Admiral Sir Dymock Watson, Ros-Admiral Sir Leen Barber, Rear-Admiral Sir Almon Mera, VC and Rear-Admiral Sir Almon Mera, VC and Rear-Admiral M L Stacey.

Association of British Chambers Promenaders will be able to attend the 57 concerts in the eighty-eighth season of Hemry Wood Promenade Concerts this year, starting on July 16, for only 127, and also benefit from fare reductions if travelling to the Albert Hall by British Rail and a London Transport bus.

Announcing the package at the launching of the Proms programme in London yesterday, Mr Robert Ponsonby, Controller of Music at the BBC, said the Proms offered the best value for money in the musical calendar.

With a budget of more than 1900,000 the season was expensive to run, and ticket prices had been increased he said. The cheapest are now 800 for the gallary promenade and £1.10 for the arena promenade, while the most expensive normal price is £6.50.

Talking of the travel con-

of Commerce

Sir Monty Einniston, president of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce, presided at the association's annual general meeting and dinner held at the Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington, yesterday. Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary of State for Energy, was principle guest and speaker. Mr C. J. Risk, Chairman of the associations, national council, associations national council,

Service dinner TA and VR

The Lord Mayor presided at the annual general meeting of the City of London Territorial Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve Association held at the Mansion House yesterday: Afterwards at a dinner held at Armoury House. Colonel and Alderman G... D. Spratt was in the chair. Among those present were: -

Mejor-General A C S Boawell, igneral H D A Laugley, Colonic Cardon, Brigader A J Woolen M Willinson, Mr J Ried representatives of City business and munbers of the association.

Birthdays today

Latest wills Writer's £100,000 for research fellows free free

The key to the savings lies in the Proms prospectus; which casts I1 (or £1.50 from BBC Publications, PO Box 234, London SE1 3TH), and contains booking forms. Miss Dorothy Enid Eden, of Kensington, London, the writer, who was born in New Zealand, left estate in the United Kingdom valued at £574,506 net. She left £100,000 to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for founding research fellowships for graduates from New Zealand.

Other estates include (1999) Other estates include (aet,

The School Fellowship will meet on Saturday. May 22, 1982. Evensong will be at 3pm. An address will be given by Baroness Masham of Ilton. All old girls and their families and pass members of staff are most welcome. Please reply 10 Mrs Parry, Heathfield School, Ascot. Chamberlain; Joan, of Eastbourne £263,080
Davies, Mrs Monica, of Oldbury,
West Midlands £343,203
Gracic, Mrs Jane Musgrave, of
Canterbury £215,375
Murray, Mrs Sybil Joyce, of
Tunbridge Wells £447,392
Pettit, Mr William George
Hubert, of Chester, funeral
furnisher and taxi hire proprietor
£290,543
Wright, Mr James Frederick; of The Savoy Hotel, of London, announces a two-week season of cabaret on the restaurant's rising cabarct on the restaurant's rising floor.
From Monday, May 10, 1982, to Saturday, May 22, Anita Harris and her musicians will entertain at 11 pm from Monday to Thursday and at 11.30 pm on Friday and Saturday.
There will be dancing to two bands and a special dinner will be served.

Wright, Mr James Frederick, of Castledermot, co Kildare, farmer, estate in England, Wales and the Republic of Ireland........£835,559 CORRECTION ...

Reservations can be made at the Savoy Hotel from Mr Antonio, Restaurant Manager, or misspelt the name of J. O. R. by telephoping 01-836 4343 (extension 2302).

Moreover ... Miles Kington

new, complete novel:

"Our son!" cried Martha Hargreaves. "You have sold our son! You've been and gone and sold our son!" "I keep telling you I have", grumbled Jack Hargreaves. "I don't see what there is to go on

served.
Reservations can be made at

about. Moodily, he kicked the dog. It was no fun being unemployed, bronchitic, balding and married to Martha Hargreaves.
"But he's only 13, Jack.

You can't sell him into white slavery!" "It's not slavery, Martha. It's football. He's a good little footballer, is our Ron,

and City want him for the "They can't play a 13-yearold. He'll be murdered."
"Not now, you daft thing.
They'll wait till he's bigger
and older. Meanwhile, I've

leave home or anything."

"My Ron": moaned on to get to university and Martha. "They'll make him become a very important go and live in places like Liverpool, or Manchester. Or Chelsea!"

"No; you bloody don't!" shouted Jack. "I won't have

dog again. "For God's sake, Martha, night's holiday in Majorca, free seats in the stand and tickets for Wembley every year! They'll be worth £100

Well, that certainly makes a difference", said Martha, drying her tears. "I wish-you'd said so in the first place. Do we get a car as well?"
Before Jack could answer,
the door burst open and in

came Ron, their angelic, fair-haired son with a lethal shot They'll wair till he's bigger and older. Meanwhile, I've signed forms for him. I've only signed him away body most super news! Mr Telford possible. in either foot and six pens in

Yorkshire Padding - a and soul. He doesn't have to says T've côme top in my

"No, you bloody don't!" shouted Jack. "I won't have Irritated, Jack kicked the you come back from school with these stupid ideas. You're going to be a football they're going to pay us star or I want to know the £4,000 a year retainer, fort- reason why. Now get out there and start kicking a ball about, and don't come whin-ing to me about wanting to do homework! Out!"

Furious, Jack kicked the dog again. Goaded beyond endurance, the dog bit him back. The two of them rolled on the floor together. Ron burst into tears. Martha sighed. She could see it was going to be one of those

This novel could easily be expanded into a 13-part TV serial, complete with love in Tropical Medicine from interest, etc. Please contact Liverpool University in 1939. this column as soon as He also held a licentiate in

OBITUARY

SIR IAN HILL

Natable work in electrocardiography

Sir Ian Hill, CBE, Imeritus Professor of Medicile in the University of Dunda, and a former honorary hysician to the Queen in cotland, died on May 5 at the age of

After a brilliant academic career as an underriaduate it was touch and go viether he became a backroon boy in cardiology (the spicialty of his choice). Fortunately, for clinical medicine le refused to devote himself to laboratory research, and his sucess as a teacher and organizer during his two decades as a professor of medicine in Dundee amply confirmed the wisdom of his chice not to be divorced from he field of clinical medicine.

A rather small issignificant figure physically, to compensated for this with a forcefulness of character, almost amounting at times in his ness of charactr, almost a mounting at nines in his younger days to aggressive-ness, but mellowing with age. With this he crimbined an apparently inexhaustible supply of energy lan inability to tolerate fools but a clarity of mind that was able to unravel the mysteries of medicine with exemplary rase to the gentine seeker after knowledge. In this and many other whys he resembled the traditional Scotistish dominie 4 an older generation: a hard task-master but always with a view to benefitting the ktudents of conventional clubland will have no difficulty in placing him from the lix of his clubs in Who's Who' Flyfishers's, Royal and Anzient (St. Andrews), and New Edinburgh. Ian George Wilson Hill was born in Edinburgh on September 7, 1904, and went to school at George Watson's College. Edinburgh. He students of conventional clubland will have no difficulty in placing him from the lix of his clubs in Who's Who' Flyfishers's, Royal and Anzient (St. Andrews), and New Edinburgh. Ian George Wilson Hill was born in Edinburgh on September 7, 1904, and went to school at George Watson's College of Physicians, of The modicine in the duiversity of Edinburgh of Edinburgh of Edinburgh a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, of The modicine in the duiversity of Edinburgh as a prointed lecturer in medicine in the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination to the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination to the Wintersity of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination to the subjection to the treatment for the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination to the Wintersity of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination in medicine in the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination in medicine in the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examination in the University of East Africa, Hong Kong, Mal

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Lord Tode OM. Choo representing the secrety of Cremical Industry and Lady-Tode. Baroness white (representing the Royal Commission on Eswironmental Polithions, Lord Flowers. Lard Mark Carlisle, CC. MP. Sir James Gowans (Medical Resource Council). Sir Jack and Lady Callard Sir Geoffrey Willingon i Imperial Coffees of Science and Technology. Sir Rowlond and Lady Woophi. Sir Alan Mile Wood Sir Rays Willingon i Imperial Coffees of Science and Technology. Sir Rowlond and Lady Woophi. Sir Alan Mile Wood Sir Rays Willingon. Sir Fonnis. And Lady Sendiands. Sir Ronald Masson. Sir Philip Oppenheimer. Sir Francis and Lady Sendiands. Sir Ronald Masson. Sir Philips. Professor Sir Hans Kornberg (Department of Biochemistry. Cambridge. University). Phylogense (Department of Biochemistry. Cambridge. University). Phylogense (Department of Partma-cology. Oxford University): Mr J H. Harvey-Jones (Chairpan, Imperial College). Oxford (Investity): Mr J H. Harvey-Jones (Chairpan, Imperial Chairman) and Mrs Rasiam (Sepuly Chairman) and Mrs Rasiam (Sepuly Chairman) and Mrs CH Rosec.

Professor J F G Cadoga (Fresarrh director, British Pelicoleum Company). Mr W Grows (representing the prospected of the Section of Susaex University). Dr J R A Gotobed. Mr and Mrs Bussell. Lee, Mr Jonalhas Lee, Professor G V R Born. Mr Kennelh Gardener (Dunlop Hoidings). Colonel R S Vine (Research Defence Society), Involessor A W Johnson (Susaex University). Dr J M Walker (Worcester College. Oxford). Mr P W Comilife. Mr J R Phits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs G P Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs Royal Mrs B G Gotobed. Mr P W Comilife. Mr J R Phits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs R G F Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs R G F Whits. Dr A A B Swann. Mr and Mrs R G F W

Memorial services

Dr A Spinks

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A memorial service for Alfred Spinks was held at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday. Canon Trevor Beeson officiated and the lessons were read by Sir Maurice Hodgson and Sir Ewart Jones, president of the Royal Society of Chemistry. An address was given by Dr D S Davies, Chief Scientist and Engineer, Department of Industry. Among those present were:

Mrs Spirits (widow). Mr and Mrs Siephen Kemp and Mr and Mrs Michael Party 'cons-in-law and daughters! Mr and Mrs David Laughtin.

Dr W Schwick and Mr W H Wishert.

Mr A. Fairbank

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Alfred Fairbank was held at St Bride's, Fleet Street. The Rev S. R. Knight, chairman of the Society of Scribes and Illuminators, officiated and Prendendary Dewi Morgan pronounced the blessing.

Sir Peter Nairne, Chairman of the Society of Italic Handwriting and Master of St Catherine's College, Oxford read the lesson and Dr Berthold Wolpe. City and Guides of London School of Art, gave an address. among those present were:

were:

Mrs Fairbant, twitows, Mr and Mrs
John Farrash, son and daughter-in
laws, Mits Anna Fairbank and Miss
Risting Mrs. Anna Fairbank and Miss
Risting Mrs. Berry (secretary, Society
of Scribes and litustrators: with Mrs.
Cavendish and other members of the
society; Miss Docolly Huiton, Mrs. B.
Wolpe, Mrs. F. Grechwood, Mr. F.
Pamphilion, Febrer Bronzard Sowell,
Mr. Peter Toxeland, Miss. J. M. Gibba.
(London University Library: Mrs.
james Sinapresmith, Dr. A. S. Osley,
Miss Bottle Evens, Mrs. A. C. de la



Miss Elizabeth ... Söderström, the singer,

Who is \$5.

Professor Sir Philip Baxter, 77; Mr A. (Scobie) Breasley, 67; Lord Briggs, 61; Sir Charles Cunningham, 76; Sir Reay Geddes, 70, Professor R. Y. Goodden, 73; Sir James Gowans, 58; Mr Robin Hanbury-Tenison, 46; Sir Lenox Hewitt., 65; Lieutenant-Commander Sir, Robert, Hobart, 67; Field Marshal Sir Richard Hull, 75; Lord Kirkhill, 52; Mr David Leach, 71; Sir Basil Nield, 79; Mr Tony O'Reilly, 46; Sir Leonard Paton, 90; Sir Arthur Snelling, 68; Sir Ruw Wheldon, 65.

era in the investigation and diagnosis of commary heart disease, today one of the major health hazards of western civilization.

On his return to Scotland in 1933, when he was elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Dhysicians of Feligians of Feligians of Feligians.

in 1928, being warded the Scottish Society of PhysEttles Scholarship as the iciaus, and as chairman of
most brilliant undergraduate the British Cardiac Society.

of his year. After the usual the British Cardiac Society.

He was a Fellow of the Royal
round of house appointments Colleges of Physicians of
he was awarded Rockerfeller Travelling Scholarship in
1932, which allowed him to stowed on him an honorary
spend a most fruitful spell at
the University of Michigan
under Frank N. Wilson, the
outstanding electrocardio.

But it was perhaps overseas that he achieved the outstanding electrocardio-grapher of the day. Here he did some notable work on the

seas that he achieved the widest recognition. Like so many of his contemporaries role of electrocardiography in the study of myocardial infarction, a line of research in which Wilson was a pioneer and which was then opening up an exciting new era in the investigation and disenses of commany heart schools overseas — particuin: Scottish academic medischools overseas - particularly in the Commonwealth. The scope of his international interests is typified by the fact that at different times he was a visiting consultant in medicine in Hong Kong, Malaya and Borneo, and external examiner in medicine in the ligitoricities of Feet Africant

MR GEOFFREY ROBERTS

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Mr Geofrey Arthur Roberts, CBP who died on May 1, was from 1948 to 1968 Director of Manning at the Ministry and under the Ministry and under the Ministry of Defence. His appointment was unusual, because he was a civilian scienist who after the war, was conducting scientific research into officer-aircrew manning and selection for the RAF, and was moved over to take charge of schemes for which he had provided critical guidelines.

He introduced principles of selection some of which flew in the face of RAF tradition, the introduced principles of selection some of which flew in the face of RAF tradition, but which found favour with the Air Council. Seven years after his retirement in 1968 the Air Ministry published, for official isses a history of converted range and directors.

Sir Robert Watson-Watt's Hartis, Roberts was engaged radar team at Fawdsey, He on testing efficacy of bombing in making, top on testing efficacy of bombing — notably given delicate causes of imperfect operation in g — notably given delicate causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into official into the best conditions, the then causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into official into the best conditions, the then causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into delicate causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into delicate causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into actual performance of the causes of imperfect operation in g — notably given delicate causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research into actual performance of the causes of imperfect operation by bringing under his scientific research in Europe and under Sir Robert's Robert's was by bringing under his scientific research in Europe and under Sir Robert's Meni actual performance of the causes of imperfect operation to performance of the causes of imperfect operation of the fauto

the Air Ministry published, Roberts's machine, which RAF. He was a brother of for official use, a history of the subject written by tion of an aircraft from the subject written by tion of an aircraft from the many years on the staff of Roberts. The preface praised radar station into a grid. The Times reference, proved itself far in 1935 he married Miss approach to the subject.

Born in the Medway Towns on September 11, 1907, operators used as manual leaves a son and two daugh-

on September 11, 1907, operators used as manual leaves a son and two daughRoberts was educated at the converters; and many fruit ters. In 1973, after voluntary machines were installed in educational work in the Rochester, and Lincoln Coltines for the mass raids to Chikerns, he became lege, Oxford, and from 1929 come.

Later, under Bomber Councillor for his kome munications. He then joined Command and Sir Arthur district, Little Chalfont.

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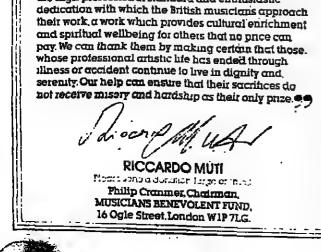
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The Proms French direction

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The flavour of the year for the eighty-eighth-season of Henry Wood Promenade Concerts is French. The concerts, which take place from July 16 to September 11, open with Berlioz's opera The Trojans, performed in two parts, on July 16 and 18. It will have an international cast, including Jessye Norman, Richard Cassilly, Felicity Palmer and Pierre Thau, and the BBC Symphony Orchestra will be conducted by Gennadi Rozhdestvensky, with John Matheson as associate conductor.

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Another highlight among the score of French works will be the first UK performance of Boulez's Repons, conducted by the composer. This complicated electronic work, in which part is programmed by a computer, will be performed in the Royal Horticultural Hall on September 6, and played twice, with the audience sitting (on the floor) in different parts of the hall.

Dame Janet Baker will be one of the eminent artists at the Proms, making her last opera appearance in a concert performance of the Glyndebourne Festival Opera's production of Gluck's Orfeo cd Euridice on

Glyndebourne Festival
Opera's production of
Gluck's Orfeo ed Euridice on
August 11. Yehudi Menuhin
will be playing Bartok's
second violin concerto (July
26) and Teresa Berganza
makes her debut at the
Proms on July 24.

Six composers have works given their world premieres during the season, including five BBC commissions. Hugh Wood, Nigel Osborne, Richard Rodney Bennett and Naresh Sohal have all written works for Proms 82, while Roger Smalley's Symphony in one movement, originally commissioned for last year's commissioned for last year's Proms, also receives its first performance. The sixth premiere will be Jain Hamilton's Symphony No. 3.

James Loughran will again conduct the last picks which

conduct the last night, which breaks with the all British tradition by including three French pieces, and tradition-alists will note that Beetho-ven's Choral Symphony will not be played on the penultimate evening. It is only a temporary ommission, however, for Mr Robert Ponsonby, the BBC's Controller of Music, did not want to mission. the opportunity of presenting Beethoven's Missa Solemnis, conducted by Sir Georg Solti,

Minimalism carried to seductive limits

My Dinner With André

Gate, Bloomsbury

Clean Slate (AA)

Curzon

No Mercy, No Future

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The very least that can be said for Louis Malle is that he never repeats himself. There is little apparent connection, apart from high skill and a particular and compelling directness of observation, to link the succession of his work, from Les Amants to live Maria, and, in more recent, wear. Lacombe Lucian and Amants to Viva Maria, and, in more recent year. Lacombe, Lucien and Black Moon, Pretty Baby and Atlantic City. My Dinner With Andre certainly, is unlike any other film. It carries minimalism to its limits: apart from brief framing scenes of New York streets and subways, and the arrival of the principal characters at a rizzy restaurant (with trio, lowering maître and French haute cuisine), the entire action takes place at a the entire action takes place at a dinner table where two men eat and

The conversation was synthesized The conversation was synthesized out of actual conversations recorded over a period of time by the two actors. Wallace Shawn is a plump, pixie-like, shrill-voiced man, a playwright and reluctant actor. Andre: Gregory, slight, serene, charming, with something of the hollow look of John Carradine, was an avant-garde New York theatre director until be embarked on the spiritual adventures he describes here. In what is for the most part a

here, in what is for the most part a monologue:

On the way to the appointment, Shawn confides his apprehensions: things he hears about Gregory, since his withdrawal from the theatre, suggest he has become sick or strange; leaving his family to wander off to India, Tibet and other places of mystical pilgrimage; or weeping in the street at the thought of Ingrid Bergman in Autumn Sonata, saying "I can live in my art but not in my life".

Our own first sight of Gregory seems to confirm Shawn's fears, as the launches off, with a zeal at gleaming eye, into tales about his admiration for Jerzy Grotowski; and how the Polish stage director similarly abandoned the theatre in favours of his and how he had favour of Life; and how he has partaken of experiments in impro-visation and free expression in Polish forests.

Christopher Warman charm, his skill as narrator and his



Cinema

Messianic mass-murderer and mistress: Philippe Noiret and Isabelle Huppert in "Clean Slate"

evident sincerity and seriousness take command, and make us share the excitements, the discoveries and the wrecks of his spiritual odyssey. We discover in him a good, clever, decent man who has shared a quite common experience of disillusion, with himself, his work, his relationships, the world around him; but who has, in a way that is not common, sought for other ways. The ways may be dead-ends or deceptions, but they represent an effort. He describes his discoveries of India and Tibet; eating sand in the Sabara with a language. of India: and Tibet; eating sand in the Sahara with a Japanese Buddhist; his time in the Findhorn commune in Scotland, where he chatted to plants and refrigerators; being buried alive in Montauk. He explores all the systems in Colin Wilson's philosophy, and more; and finds in them some laughter as well as ecstacy.

as ecstacy.

Gregory's search is recognizably only an extreme instance of the quest of those hundreds of eager American students you might find any day — sunburnt, tousied and hung about with haversacks — on the beaten tracks of European classical culture or Indian mysticism; but Gregory brings to the quest, beyond that specially American openness to experience, his intelligence, maturity, sensitivity — and dinner-table eloquence.

Shawn, sometimes a bit too obviously, is cast in the role of the little guy, the realist to Gregory's mystic and idealist, pleading the necessity of reality, the compen-sations of the here and now and the reassurance an electric blanket can give on a winter's night. Both as a dialogue and as a film exercise My Dinner With André proves a seduc-tive tour de force.

Bertrand Tavernier's Coup de Torchon (shown here as Clean Slate) is a piquant bit of cross-fertilization. It is based on a novel, Pop. 1280, by a pulpy American writer, Jim Thompson, not highly rated in his homeland but much esteemed by French connoisseurs of the roman noir. Tavernier has translated his story of a not too competent sheriff, who one day discovers that murder makes for better civic order, from the American South and the teens of this century to colonialist Africa

He has, moreover, very deliberate-ly sought the flavour of the Thirties, with its feeling for local colour and larger-than-life charac-

collaborators the 78-year-old writer Jean Aurenche, who co-scripted with Pierre Bost some of the most famous films of the Forties, and the 76-year-old designer Alexander Trauner, whose film work has included Le Quai des Brumes, Le Jour se Leve and Les Enfants du Paradis. Between them Tavernier, Trauner, the photographer Pierre William Glenn and their Senegalese locations succeed in evoking the atmosphere, the arid land and the killing, nerve-raging boredom of colonial life.

The eccentric personages who

colonial life.

The eccentric personages who people this outpost are led by Philippe Noiret as the ignorant, incompetent and cowardly police chief, who discovers a messiant and cathartic role for himself as mass murderer. His co-stars clearly are chance to play the handle enjoy the chance to play the luridly colourful denizens of this decayed corner of empire: an unusually lively Isabelle Huppert is the policemen's mistress and a characeristically caustic Stephane Audret

Helma Sanders-Brahms's Mercy, No Future (the original German title Die Beruhrte means "The one who is touched") purports to be a case history -- the story of a schizophrenic girl who wrote to the director and asked her to make a film of her story.

The girl, Veronika, spends her life

in and out of mental hospitals (which seem neither to have supervision to avoid constant escapes nor to offer any sort of treatment). Out, she wanders the seedier streets of Berlin, seeking sexual partners from omong the underprivileged and unfortunate—Blacks, migrant workers, the aged, crippled or mentally sick. Generally she surprises her pick-ups by asking eagerly if they are Jesus. In a written note on the film, the director explains that the girl "doesn't give away pieces of advice, sims or leaflets, she gives again and again, never tiring, her own self... to go and fill the gap in suciety with her body, that is, with her physical and mental vulnerability, to melt the huge iceblock of this welfare society with her little body

and soul — all she has".

This rather bizarre sense of social purpose is rather less evident in the film itself, which serves mainly to give the actress Elizabeth Stepanek showy gamut of mad scenes, ranging from glum nymphomania to public raving and special-effects delirium. Miss Sanders-Brahms (whose earlier films have included (whose earlier films have included Shirin's Wedding and Germany Pale Mother) is a distinctive talent but is handicapped by the urge shared with other women film-makers (Liliana Cavani, Lina Wertmuller) to outdo the fellows in shock and sensation. Scenes of massive gynaecological becomerchase and the cological haemorrhage and the slaughter of a hen are not for the over-squeamish.

David Robinson

Rock

Persistent vision

Richard and Linda Thompson

Dominion

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in America; both are students of ethnic music who see no reason to constrain their love of the pure pop with which they grew up. Their task has been to achieve a reconciliation of the two, and each has grown in strength as he has come closer to the goal. Thompson's rare London appearance was not entirely satisfying, partly because his background in folk clubs gives him a problem, once shared by Cooder, of communicating with larger audiences, but it confirmed the persistence of his vision

and ambition. He was joined by his wife, ith whom he shares the lead and harmony singing; by two former colleagues in Fairport Convention, the guitarist Simon Nicol and the drummer Dave Mattacks; and by a bass guitarist, Peter Zorn, whose occasional lack of sensitivity over note-choice

in the improvised sequences made him the quintet's weak link. In general they made a stark, passionate sound, but sometimes I missed the textural leavening once lent

Thompson's majestic guitar, which blowtorched the Thompson occupies a which blowterched the position in British rock deeply pessimistic modality similar to that of Ry Cooder of "Night Comes In" with of "Night Comes In" with particular assistance from Mattacks, whose spore, heavily syncopated attack provided the ideal dramatic

contrast.

Linda Thompson, who once languished in the shadow of her contemporary, the late Sandy Denny, sang with less precision but greater expres-"The Dimming of the Day" and "Down Where the Drunkards Roll". Her husband's voice, a penny-plain but affecting instrument, was least successful when attempting unmelodic up-tempo songs like "Honky Tonk Blues", "The Back-street Slide" and "The Price of Love", and most appealing when used with Linda's to create an antipodality quite strikingly different from conventional ideas of blended harmony singing.

Richard Williams



Attraction of opposites: the Thompsons

Television

Acquired gravity

has been snooker, there have debates. There has been no been forlornly irrelevant tabloid jingoism. party political broadcasts. Nothing in recent memory party political broadcasts. Nothing in recent memory there has been family view- can compare with the ghastly ing in its usual bland abun-chill which swept through

to the lure of space invader the training film-gimmickry. Both have re- Travellers in 1 ported responsibly from Buenos Aires, intelligently from Washington and sensilively from Portsmouth. ITN's modest back-up from Falklands Extra has, on the other hand, inevitably been upstaged by Newsnight's. impressive capacity to stick close to the heart of the

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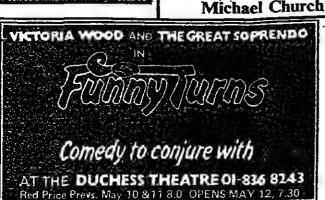
dance, but over the past few the nation on Tuesday night days all these things have had as John Humphreys's confito tiptoe round that very dent introduction to the nine different family viewing, the o'clock News was interrupted by the deathly toward of Inby the deathly tones of Ian the week has pro- McDonald at the Ministry of pressed the regular bulletins Defence. How many men was have developed qualities to the Sheffield carrying? How match the gravity of the serious was the strategic situation. The BBC and ITN loss? We watched meshave been forced to use merized until the awful identical film stock, and their questions were finally ancommentaries have often swered. Again and again been virtually interchange throughout the evening came able. Both have experimented the Ministry announcement, desperately with graphics, again and again the little red with ITN succumbing briefly dart sped across the water in

Travellers in Time (BBC2) was a little oasis of peace. Everest, said the leader of the British expedition of 1922, was "a mountain made for reverence". Lovingly re-edited with the aid of their diaries, this film gave a wonderful sense of what it must have been like to participate in that heroic

failure.

Just to remind us of the passage of time, one of the original oxygen cylinders was dumped on a table with a heavy clonk, and then we were off on ancient trains, swinging across rope bridges, doling out Homburg hats to lamas, watching religious dances, meeting pilgrims marching on their stomachs, drinking butter tea made by smiling bundles of greasy rags, and receiving the blessing of a hermit incarnation of the god Chrongaysay who was pleased because the Britons' goal was

simply to get closer to heaven.
Sherpas sank into screes under 120-pound burdens, glaciers looked like the opening set for Superman, clouds rushed satanically away from the summit. away from the summit.
Mallory (who died there two
years later) said his
memories were "of a dazed
mind incapable of acute
perception". Frostbite, perception". Frostbite, windburn, toffee and quails in pate de foie gras were the final rewards.



Theatre

Stuck fast, but not sunk yet

Chichester

Shaw's 1933 extravaganza seemed timely when the Mermaid revived it in the mid-70s, what now is the word for a piece featuring mass unemployment, strike-breaking legislation; and an admiral with an "eye on the Gulf" demanding new warships? Now, as in 1975, the reason

for revival is the hope that Shaw's diagnosis of the Depression might shed some light on our present troubles. And, as before, the main message of the play is one of

message of the play is one of comfort. Fifty years on, Britain is still in the same bickering, class-ridded muddle, still stuck on the same after retiring to a Welsh rocks, but not yet sunk.

Like all Shaw's political comedies, On the Rocks occupies a privileged zone: in this case 10 Downing Street. It begins and ends with the sounds of violence from the world outside, and in the country in this case is that Shaw had arrived at the opinion that the time for talking had run out and what the country needed was a face the consequences; and, the sound of a deficient

the country needed was a face the consequences; and, strong man. As the idea he with the sound of a deflating

George and Margaret

be expected to reduce the actors and spectators alike to fabrication paroxysms of laughter. Those anticipations place the play firmly in an Upstairs,
Downstairs world of class
divisions in a previous
British lifetime. But Gerald Savory's comedy of 1935 did not run for two years in the West End and for decades in west End and for decades in provincial repertory because it upheld the old ways. Instead, George and Margaret flouted conventions, offended the critics and found popularity through cheerful, audacious liber-

are the more witty and more innocent grandparents and great grandparents of David Mercer's boozy artists and sexual athletes, but distinguished by tolerance and free of guilt. Richard Vernon's elegantly befuddled vernon's elegantly befuddled touching, throaty seriousness and programme of the father gives to her performance. portrayal of the father gives to her performance. us a man who may not see fit to enquire why the young Ned C

stinct sabotaged his political thinking. But the result certainly is to make the piece seem more frivolously garrulous than usual. humanitarian response, but it torpedoes the play. Its plot, like that of The Apple Cart, turns on the fraudulent unworkability of democratic government. Like Proteus in that play, Sir Arthur Chavender heads a Libert Convention

being his view that "liqui-dation by the OGPU is not punishment: it is only weed-ing the garden", it is just as well that his dramatic in-

Liberal-Conservative co-alition bamstrung by internal strife; and like King Magnus he surfaces at half-time with comfort. Fifty years on, an unparliamentary plan for Britain is still in the same getting the country off the

housemaid is weeping over the toast and yet who happily accepts her entanglement with his son, the architect.

Arts, Cambridge

It is not often nowadays that a play about a middle class family contains a line like "Have you seen the new maid?" Still less often would her mere servile appearance the expected to reduce the woman is proved to be a

woman is proved to be a fabrication for moral purposes, and marriage across the class barriers does not prevent the next servant not prevent the next servant from becoming an object of ridicule. Yet the spirit is exultant and celebratory in its open-mindedness.

Bill Pryde's first production as artistic director of the Cambridge Theatre

the Cambridge Theatre Company is immaculately played. George and Margaret are surburban Godot figures, always threatening to appear for tea but leaving the stage clear for the domestic affairs

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The benign middle classes of Mr Vernon's family.

The Savory's Hampstead are the more witty and more innocent grandparents and

Ned Chaillet

porters troop off in pursuit of the defecting Conservative leader (bitherto built up as a bullying fool) leaving Chavender to retire for a future of golf and the pious hope that one day his plan will come true, but "I shall hate the man who will carry it through". One salutes Shaw's

However, It is imagination, not sentility, that scuppers the plot. On the Rocks contains many echoes from Shaw's other work, but it also shows his anarchic comic gift doing spirited battle with his authoritarian opinions. The separate factions are orchestrated with effortless fluency and the ability to spring surprises.

Jack Emery and Patrick Garland's production excels in this kind of orchestral colour — pitting Lockwood West's mild, baby-faced Admiral against Michael Sadler's supercilious Scottish youngster from the Board of Trade and Nigel Stock's nobly dilapidated Duke. The passage where Mr Stock

adversary class Kennedy) and eagerly con-firms all her accusations against his crofter-hounding forbears is one where the Shavian spirit bursts through with all the old generosity. Keith Michell plays Cha vender from first to last as a political matines idol. That

puts him in undisputed control of the first act, particularly when he gets the stage to himself to improvise windy speeches on the sanctity of the family to an approximate a subject of livride and approximate approxima enraptured audience of invis-ible clerics. It lets him down after the Marxist change of after the Marxist change of heart, particularly when confronted by Aubrey Woods's grim police chief and Arthur English as the old forelock-tugging revolutionist Hipney — a part calculated to steal every scene he gets and played here with a wry conviction that goes well beyond the comic boundaries. Congratulations to Pamela Howard for a fine Walpole-dominated set in-Walpole-dominated set in-cluding the front door com-plete with saluting copper.

Concert

ECO/Ledger Barbican Hall

certos in the apparent re-moteness of the Barbican Hall's auditorium is rather like watching sport on tele-vision. You know very well what is happening, but you cannot possibly experience the immediate thrill of it. Or, if you can, something special must be happening. On Wednesday, in the English Chamber Orchestra's baroque concert, that something was Michala Petri, a youthful Danish master of the recorder, an instrument which demands particularly asture musicianship to bring personality to bear on it. She first played a concerto

by William Babell, an English composer who died young in 1723, and whose habit of arranging Handel's opera arias for keyboard was de-spised by Burney and admired by Hawkins. For the first movement she chose a recorder whose hrilliant upper harmonics brought additional sparkle to the rapid passages, tossed off with nonchalant ease. Then Irving Wardle she turned to an instrument of purer timbre, adorning the lovely little slow movement

a satin sheen and bringing decorum to the formal invention of the

Sammartini (not the more famous Giovanni) was like-wise well written and given an equally fine performance. with a languid, dolorous cantabile in the Siciliano, and the faster movements glistenexecution and invention. In both works, the ECO accompanied with a discrect reticence.

Following a neat account of Boyce's lifth symphony, originally written for an ode in 1739, Philip Ledger assumed the soloist's mantle himself. With the diminished orchestra huddled around him and playing with the tiniest of bow strokes, he made Bach's A major Harpsi-chord Concerto, BWV1055, sound curiously half-veiled, half-amplified.

Though bereft of the 24 oboes which the composer employed at its outdoor premiere, Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks still made a merry climactic noise, the horns and trum-pets jostling to make the most of their short evening's work.

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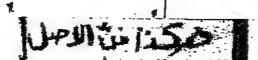
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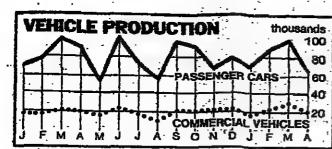


Pound and shares lose early gains

Falklands and US deficit

fears hamper markets

By Frances Williams and Sally White



Car production in the United Kingdom last month tumbled to 65,000 from 98,000 in March and reflects manufacturers' growing pessimism about the state of the market. The industry is expecting sales this year to total 1.48 million rather than the earlier estimate of 1.52 million. Output of commercial vehicles, however, remains strong and in the first Car output in the four months was 321,000 compared with 336,000 in the same period of 1981.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index 576.9, up 1.5 FT Glits 68.28, up 0.61 FT Alishare 332.54, up 4.02 Bargains 16,210

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index: 7,517.58, up 60.47 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index: 1,351.09, up 34.89

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3 month interbank 13%-13% Euro-currency rates
3 month dollar 143,4-1413,4
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But hopes that a budget compromise in the United States will pave the way for lower American interest rates boosted Government stocks, which closed nearly Reaction in the United States was also positive. At noon the Dow Jones industrial average was 7.14 higher at 861.59 after heavy morning trading in which a buge 32.7

with Savoy

By Philip Robinson The second battle between Lord Forte and Sir Hugh Wontner will break out later this month when Trusthouse

Eric Hartwell, vice-chairman and joint chief executive on the board of the Savoy Hotel

Sir Hugh and his board

have vowed to oppose the move. Yesterday the septua-genarian chairman an-

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Moves to resolve the United States budget conflict coincide with a call by top international bankers and economists for America to

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Of its economic policies.

A statement published ent that it today by the prestigious the jobber Group of 30 headed by M be short Johannes Witteveen, the former director general of the International Monetary

By Jonathan Davis

Energy Correspondent

British Petroleum. Britain's largest industrial company, confirmed stock market fears yesterday by

reporting a "very disappointing" first three months trading this year.

Mr Peter Walters, chairman, coupled this with a warning that falling oil prices

could paradoxically damage world economic recovery.

the first since he took over

as chairman from Sir David

Steel six months ago, Mr Walters said indications over

the last few weeks were that

oil prices had now stabilized after their recent falls. "We all should certainly hope so

for lower prices now would be very destructive to world

recovery if they were fol-lowed by significant price

increases just as the economy were picking up", he said.

Stock brokers are predict-

ing that net income could fall to as little as £125m against £395m in the first quarter

last year.

The "temporary" fall in crude oil prices had led to a

At BP's annual meeting,

pay more attention to the

shares changed cies and to abandon its strict close of trading. policy of not intervening on the foreign exchange mar-M. Witteveen said yester-

> American interest rates and the debt problems of develop-ing countries, inflicting severe damage on the United States ecomony and depress-

ing economic growth in the rest of the world. Stock market trading opened on a note of euphoria on hopes of an early Fal-klands peace settlement and of lower international inter- had empowered its directors

But it soon became apparent that it was marking up by the jobbers, who were said to be short of stock still, that

Fund, urges the United while it had drifted down on States to achieve a hetter mix lack of buying to finish up of monetary and fiscal polionly 1.5, at 576.9, by the

ket, because brokers regard-ed the United States budget day that action was needed compromise as likely to lead urgently to bring down high to lower interest rates there, to lower interest rates there and consquently in all inter the dollar.

These were exacerbating medium dated stocks closed up 1% points, and short dated stocks were up by % of a

point. The West German Bundesbank has decided to cut its key tending rate, the Lombard rate, to 9 per cent from 9.5 per cent and announced that it was dismantling the emergency procedure that to change the rate daily

raised prices.

The opening level of the facility introduced in February 130 index was 12.9 higher, while it had drifted down on lack of buying to finish up only 1.5. at 576.9 by the

Dismal first quarter for BP

dent about the group's long-

• The National Coal Board is

still hoping to press ahead

synthetic fuel developments.

term prospects.

Walters: Warning on prices

in the price of energy which and disarray in currency have been so harmful in the last 10 years."

The firming of oil prices Mr Walters was still confi-

"The recovery that had been made in the oil marketing and refining business at the end of last year was not sustained", Mr Walters said.

The firming of oil prices

the end of last year was not sustained", Mr Walters said.
The Iran-Iraq war, world recession, high interest rates synthetic fue

has come too late to prevent what will inevitably be poor profit figures from BP in the

Morpeth, T.D., F.C.A.,

referring to the economic

recession, emphasised that

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first quarter.

The Chancellor's an-nouncement in March that

But the April edition of the Woolwich Review, pub-lished yesterday, is full of foreboding about the decision to make one of these aggregates "PSL2, the aggregates "PSL2, the broad-based measure of private sector liquidity that includes building society

ing that the societies could be faced with an unfair technical disadvantage in certain circumstances. It may also have a point, though a more debatable

Business Editor

Markets tread cautiously

Gains for sterling, gilts and, to a lesser extent, equities may suggest increasing confidence in financial markets. But the gains were, if anything, rather less than one might have expected if confidence were truly returning.

After its previous bouts of instant euphoria in response to the slightest rumour of good news, the City now seems inclined to respond to new developments with rather more caution.

ments with rather more caution.

Certainly, the cut in German Lombard rate was good news. So too were the indications from across the Atlantic that President Reagan may by preparing to give at least some ground on the issue of the federal budget deficit.

But there is still a long way to go before a budget compromise emerges. And

compromise emerges. And even then it remains to be even then it remains to be seen whether it will prove sufficient to instil new confidence into Wall Street. So far as specifically United Kingdom concerns go, Falklands developments clearly hold the main key to short-term market pros-pects. But there was little pects. But there was little comfort yesterday for an initially exuberant equity market from the gloomy statements pushed out by the likes of BP and Turner & Newall, not to mention the slashed dividend on a "seafal" incompared with the slashed dividend on the slashed dividend dividend on the slashed dividend divide "safe" income stock like UDS.

Building Socs Foreboding

the 8-12 per cent monetary growth target for the new financial year should cover a number of monetary aggregates rather than just the distortion-prone sterling M3 seemed eminently sen-

deposits.
The essence of the Review's case is that building society profitability is far more vulperable under a regime of lending quotas than that of the banks.

The Review may well have a point in demonstrat-

one, in holding that build-ing society liabilities are tangential to the key econ-omic relationship between bank deposits and national income.
But more important,

perhaps, is the defensive and anxious tone of the and anxious tone of the article. It is symptomatic of a movement increasingly worried about being outgunned and outmanoeuvred by the big shots in the banking world while the authorities sit around uncertain as to how they would like to see the institutional framework evolve.

Royal Bank Profits slip

Having surprised the market with such good full-year results last December when a takeover still seemed likely, Royal Bank has now provided more food for the cynics with very disappointing first half fig-

Instead of the £55m or so expected, pretax profits are slightly down at £43m and well down on the £65m in previous six months. Bad debts, which fell sharply in the second balf of last year mainly because of recoveries of past pro-visions, have leaped again — more at Williams & Glyn's than in Scotland — which

goes some way to explaining the pattern.

However, the encouraging indications in the second half of last year, when interest margins rose and costs seemed to be under tight control, have now

been reversed.

Margins have been squeezed by a smaller spread between base and deposit rates compared with a year ago, a further swing from current to interest bearing accounts, and the need to fund a bigger slice of business with wholesale money as retail deposits declined proportionately. Costs have also risen, by 15 per cent - well above inflation. Sheltering a much bigger

slice of profits through leasing has provided some comfort below the line. After tax profits were up by more than half and the dividend has been raised by 7 per cent. The second half should

also look better as bad debt and pressure ease. familiar questions on strategy and direction for the Royal Bank remain unanswered since the Monopolics Commission condemned it to facing the future on its

Forte back 45 pc rise in house starts into battle

Housing starts during the first quarter of the year surged by 45 per cent over the previous three months' and were up by a third over the same period last year, according to the latest statistics published by the Department of the Environment. Provisional figures show that starts were made on 53,400 (seasonally adjusted) houses and flats in the United Kingdom. against 40,100 a year ago.

EEC floats Samurai bond

The EEC, the World Bank and Sweden came to the market for sizable borrowing yesterday. The EEC is floating its first Samurai bond, raising Y20,000m (\$85m) over 10 years to help parts of southern Italy hit by the earthquake in November 1980. The World Bank, which is planning to borrow \$27,000m over three years, is raising Y25,000m from Japanese banks. Sweden is borrowing \$5,00m over years in two tranches based on American interest rates.

Profits slump in US

Corporate profits in the United States fell by 17 per cent in the first quarter of 1982 compared with the corresponding three months last year — one of the worst declines on record according to a survey of 579 large companies by the Wall Steet Journal. Particularly hard hit were the car and steel industry and the oil

Cheers for brewers

March beer production was up 5.8 per cent over the same month last year, though output in the first quarter of this year was 7.4 per cent down on the same period last year. The Brewers Society has found in these figures a glimmer of encouragement for the trade because reports from individual browers also indicate a slowdown in the rate of decline in actual sales.

Israel debt rises

Israel had an external debt of \$18,400m (£9,900m) at the end of last year, up from \$16,700m a year earlier. The sio, 700m a year earlier. The country's trade deficit in 1931 was \$4,500m, an increase of 13 per cent "mainly because of arms purchases". Imports, including arms, totalled \$15,300m and exports \$10,800m. The true deficit was unchanged at \$2,200m.

Deais charge

Mr John A C Dickinson has been charged with dealing in Harris & Sheldon Group Harris & Sheldon Group securities, contrary to Sections 68 and 72 of the Companies Act 1980. He is also charged with failing to-disclose such dealing when adirector of an associate company contrary to Section 27 of the Companies Act 1967.

• IDLE merchant ship tonnage, 690 ships totalling 41.4million deadweight tons, has trebled in the past year and is at its highest point since September 1978, accrding to the General Council of British Shipping. The figures reflected the continuing world recession.

TALLENT Engineering, of Newton Aycliffe, Durham, which has doubled its annual turnover by winning a £5m component contract for Ford, is to modernize its factory by buying 10 robots and employ-ing a further 100 people.

• DU PONT is to double its world wide capacity for polyester elastomer by build-ing a £33m plant in Luxembourg to manufacture Hytrel for tubing, wire and cable insulation, belting and electrical appliances.

• JAPAN'S export letters of credit fell 6.8 per cent in April from a year before to \$8,030m (£4,511m), continuing a downtrend that began in January, the Finance Ministry by a propuged. The page try has announced. The pace of decline was a little faster than 4.2 per cent registered in

TODAY

Company results; Interims: Gomme Holdings, J Hepworth, Pochin's City of London Trust (Third interim), Tricentrol (First quarter), Wellco. Finals: Arrow Chemical, Norman Hay, Northern Goldsmiths, Scollish Ontario Investments, Yor◆ AT RISK are 400 jobs in the printing industry after receivers were called in yesterday to the Leeds-based Finlas Printing and Publish-ing Group.

• INCREASES in the level of grants available for industry covering research and development in new technology have been announced by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Indus-

A JOINT order worth 14m for a flight simulator system for a Boeing 767 has been placed with Rediffusion Simulation, Crawley, by Britannia Airways and the Norwegian operator Brasthens



personal guarantees in respect of a £3.5m loan and is taking further legal advice. The receiver to Birmingham and Midland Counties Trust Holdings says he will institute proceedings if the two gave personal guarantees and cannot meet them.

COMPANIES

AFTER a critical report from the Monopolies Com-mission in mid-1979, Wall's

mission in mid-1979, Wall's and J. Lyons, the ice-cream makers, have given undertakings not to demand retailers be tied exclusively to one supplier.

9 Lonrho needs to buy only 153 shares in House of Fraser to reach the 30 per cent shareholding which would normally trigger a full bid. Yesterday Lonrho announced it had bought an additional 283,000 Fraser shares at 150p, bringing its holding to

283,000 Fraser shares at 150p, bringing its holding to 29.9999 per cent.

• Pritchard Services Group, the international cleaning and maintenance contractor, raised pretax profits by 73 per cent to £6.1m for the year to lanuary.

PRICE CHANGES

Lloyds Bank 406, up 5 GEC 872, up 15 Shell 414, up 6 P & O "Dfd" 152, up 8 Aurora Hidgs 21, up 3 Standard Chart 675, up 38 Euro Ferries 79, up 4 Trident TV "A" 82%, up 4% UDS Grp 55, down 18

Mr. Graham Ferguson Lacey (above) and Mr Cecil McBride may face legal action as a result of the collapse of their private investment company and over a share deal with Cook International, which now controls NCC Energy, where they were directors. Cook says the two are in default of personal guarantees in res-

cent to £6.1m for the year to January.

© UDS Group's pretax profit fell from £16.24m to £13.74m last year while turnover dipped from £448.6m to £435.8m. The final dividend was reduced by 60 per cent.

© Royal Bank of Scotland reported disappointing half-year profits, down by £200,000 to £43.1m before tax in the six months to March 31.

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slackening internationally of the effort to find and develop new sources of energy. "This is a dangerous thing.

year but it is understood he will not leave before the Savoy group's future is Trusthouse Forte, which ensure that we have the owns 66 per cent of Savoy energy we need and that we

Eric Hartwell: proposed for

over bid last summer, has put two resolution down for the Savoy annual shareholders meeting on May 28. It wants the board expanded from 11 to 12 and use Mr Hartwell elected as the extra member Trusthouse argues that with its substantial share stake it should have at least

one representative on the board. Mr Giles Shepard, Savoy managing director, said last night: "Would you want a piranha in the bath with

Trusthouse lost its takeover bid after a bider and acrimonious battle which involved an exchange of personal insults between Sir Hugh and Lord Forte...

Trusthouse has always said it would return to finish the job when the takeover rules allowed. It can bid again after June 19.

Mr Shepard added yesterday: "If you had a predator who was keen to take you over, would you ask them to have a seat on the board? We will certainly be asking shareholders to vote against hese resolutions.

Even though Trusthouse has a majority of the profitbearing equity, the complex two-tier voting structure of the Savoy shares means its board and supporters still command more than 50 per cent of the total votes. The two resolutions proposed by Trusthouse need a simple majority.

Only the development, well in advance, of new sources of oil and coal, as well as the fuels of the future, can ensure that we have the avoid the violent fluctuations BRITISH **SUGAR**

UP 72pc By Michael Prest Mr John Padovan, chief execrutive of County Bank, resigned last night as S & W Berisford's representative on the British Sugar board, as the latter revealed that firsthalf pre-tax profits had risen

by 72 per cent to £31m.

British Sugar also said that its interim dividend had been doubled to 21.4p gross. It was the board's forecast of £60m full year pre-tax profits and a full year dividend of not less than 50p gross that prompted the resignation. Last year British Sugar's profits were

Mr John Beckett, chief executive of British Sugar, said it was understood that Mr Padovan would not par-£51m ticipate in discussions con-cerning S & W Berisford, which holds 38 per cent of British Sugar after a takeov-er battle last year.

British Sugar believe a profit forecast is pertinent to the possibility of another bid. But Mr Padovan said: "I cannot regard a forecast of the profits of British Sugar, made at a time-when no offer from S & W Berisford exists or could be made for some months, as a matter directly relating to S & W Berisford in which I should not participate."

Still no firm decision on Concorde's future

By Edward Townsend: Industrial Correspondent

British and French minis-British and French minis-ters have again delayed making a decision on the future of Concorde. In Paris yesterday it was agreed only to report back to Govern-ments and arrange further calks in July.

Mr Norman Lamont, Minister of State at the Department of Industry, and M Charles Fiterman, French Minister of Transport, met to discuss the outcome of joint studies by officials of the options facing the supersonic In a communique, they

noted with satisfaction the progressive reduction in progressive reduction Concorde expenditures in both countries, which would be continued. They also took note of reports dealing with cost-sharing, an issue which has angered the Commons Select Committee on Industry and Trade because of the apparent imbal-

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million at constant Septem 1981 economic conditions

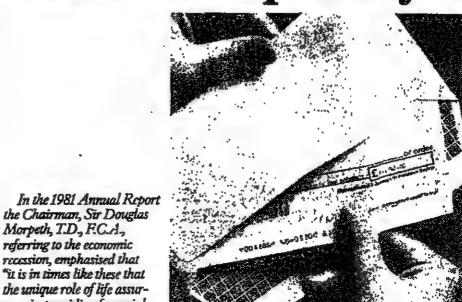
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estimates of the cost of

continuing the Concorde project in its argument against outright candellation, figures which the committee described in a report in February as "astonishing".
The accompanying table

shows how the latest revised estimates differ from those of a year ago.

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Shares drift after early optimism over Falklands

imminent ceasefire in the a poor first few months this point. Falklands hostilities appeared not to be justified. That view, a succession of gloomy 2p at 314. Shell were up 6p at company statements and a 414p, Lasmo rose 5p to 347p frightened buyers away.

The jobbers, who are still thought to be short of stock, Newall at 66p were both had started the day by marking prices sharply higher as news of a compromise agreement to cut the United States budget deficit inspired hones of lower interest rates. But after starting up 12.9 the market drifted down steadily through the day to close up only 1.5 at 576.9.

The UDS news of the unchanged although their halving of the total dividend chairmen, too, saw trading depressed the market as so conditions continuing to be many of the income funds among the most active mar-It is also an index stock. The shares closed at 55p down

Francis Shaw (F) F Summer (F)

LATEST RESULTS

Early optimism of an from BP - which referred to shorts were up by 4 of a year although prospects are brighter - left the shares up cut from UDS and Ultramar climbed lop

GKN at 165p and Turner &

Tricentrol is liked among oil shares, although at a price carnings ratio of 8 the shares are not cheap. A line of 2m shares was placed without denting the price, which closed at 222p, up 4p.

Gilts closed firmer because ket traders - hold the stock. of the prospects of lower if the United States rates fall. Long and medium dates up 10p at 405p an gloomy statement closed up 1 points, and also up 10p at 395p.

Standard Chartered were a

noted feature, as a large institutional buyer tried to accumulate a 750,000 share holding. After buying 200,000 at 671p, pushing the price up from 637p, the institution tried to buy a further 500,000 and the price went to 680p with the order still unfin-

Disappointing figures from Royal Bank of Scotland left the shares at 102p, down 4p. Lloyds Bank were 406p, up lop, as worries about the Argentine involvement were liminished during trading

British Sugar rose 5p to 500p on the doubled interim dividend. Berisford shares were unchanged at 79p.

Defence stocks continued to be promoted, with Racal up 10p at 405p and Plessey

helped P & O to 152p, up 8p. But comment and profit-taking on Sainsbury brought the shares back to 635p after Wednesday's good figures,

down 15p. Continued bid speculation

De La Rue is meeting increasing international competition on security printing, causing analysts to doubt their pretax forecasts of £28m, down 17 per cent. A line of half a million failed to find buyers. The shares fell 10p to 545p.

moved Rothmans "B" 102p, up 4p.

Insurance shares closed General Accident recovered from yesterday's fall after the decline into a loss, up 6p at 294p. Royal was 36p, up 5p, and Commercial Union rose 5p to 131p, ahead of figures next week.

UDS profits plunge in second half

UDS shocked the City vesterday when it revealed virtually halved profits in the final dividend by 60 per cent.

This time last year the group talked optimistically of a profits recovery since they olunged after 1979. The first half figures supported that

against £16.2m last time on a reserves to meet the dividend turnover slightly lower at £435m. This indicates that during the second half of the year, pretax profits plunged from £14m to £8m. The group, whose stores

include Allders and Arding & Hobbs, has cut the final dividend to a nominal 1.428p gross giving a total for the year down 42 per cent at 5.142p Since January, the group

says, the outlook has not been encouraging and sales

so far this year give to cause for short-term optimism. In the stock market the shares plunged 25 per cent u a five-year low of 55 per cent.

Despited figures show that Detailed figures show that department store profits dropped from £7.4m to £4m. while the group's multiple stores which include John Collier and women's fashion

2.85p gross were made.
Mr Paul Marke chairman, said the recession had made it necessary for the group to restructure many activities and to plan the induction or closure of some and the chain Richard Shops went into a £1.4m loss against a £3m profit last time. extension of other

UDS still cannot ffford_to pay dividends from profits The company fintends to attributable to shartholders. view, up from £2m to £5m.

But the pretax figures for the 12 months to the end of January came out at £13.74m had to take £11.1m from make a small cipitalization issue of ordinary shares of one new ordinary share of 10p each for every 10 shares, either ordinary or deferred, held. This would absorb about £186,000 of the amount

standing to the credit of capital reserves, the company Dart tumbles On the stock harket, MY
Dart shares fell 5p to 23p
after the announcement of
results. The gross dividend
yield is 11.4 per cont. into loss MY Dart, the Hertfordshire-based sports equipment and packaging materials

manufacturer, saw 1980 pre-tax profits of 1,2m turn around to a £235,000 loss for MORE than 60 ipplications have been mad for the department of Industry Small the 18 months to December Engineering Firms Invest-Sales in the period were

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final dividend is being paid.

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Scotlish Ceylon Tea company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Angle American Agriculture USA, has purchase of the San Yaidro Vineyard of California for \$1.6m (\$890,000) excluding expenses, with \$800,000 payable on completion and the belance not later

than May 15. Schmid Laboratories, American subsidiary of LRC infernational, has purchased the assets of Feminique Products Corporation for about 2600,000.

about £800,000. The boards of Olives and Grosvenor Chater & Co have reached a preliminary agreement for the purchase by Olives of certain fixed assets and stocks at Abbert 1888 Hobbard Stimulation Abbey Mill, belonging to Grosvenor. This will ensure continued production: at Abbey Mill and assist in protecting employment in Holywell: Further details will be announced when Abbey Mill and as contracts are exchanged.

ned contracts worth more than £40m to supply equipment for the Recife Metropolitan Suburban Railway in

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WALL STREET

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some painful decisions, such as plant that our strategy over recent years of closures, to secure our future.

is getting into shape for the realities of to have been the right one?

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BIDS AND DEALS



Move to raise output

China plans to raise overall industrial output by 4 per cent in 1982, same as it did last year. The country will also increase heavy industrial output by one per cent of value, after a 4.5 per cent fall last year. light industrial production is set to increase by 7 per cent against a 10.4 per cent rise last year. er cent rise last year. Iron and steel production

will fall by 4 per cent to 34 million tonnes to get rid of surplus stocks and concentrate on quality.

WEST GERMANY

A gap of at least DM5,000m (£1,200m) in federal finances will have to be plugged with the planned 1982 supplementary budget, Herr Otto Lambsdorff, the economics minister, said yesterday.

• West German crude steel production fell by 12.6 per cent to 3.4 million tonnes in April but was up from 3.26 million tonnes in April but was up from 3.26

million tonnes in April 1981.

CANADA

Canada's trade surplus widened to a seasonally adjusted C\$1,180m (£543m) in March from C\$981 in February. It was the 23rd consecutive month that Canada's exports exceeded its imports. Canadian National Railways reported a net loss of: C\$67m for the first quarter and said it was introducing significant cost-cutting measignificant cost-cirtuing measures to help redress the problem. The loss — the worst in any one quarter. In its history — compares with a first quarter profit of C\$69.9m in 1981.

NIGERIA

Nigeria has withdrawn its objection to foreign investment in the African Development Bank, enabling 25 more developed nations to become shareholders in the 50-nation corporation.

FRANCE

The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development is predicting 12 per cent inflation and a 2.5 per cent rise in gross domestic product for France in 1982. M Jacques Delors, Finance Minister, said this compares with a previous OECD esti-mate of 12.75 per cent

VIETNAM

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Rates

Vietnam has signed an agreement with the Soviet Union The Government is attempting to formulate an effective industrial strategy to stem, the rising tide of electronic imports which currently produce a trade deficit of more than

frontice and deficit of more than £300m.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, the Secretary of State for Industry, has said that such deficits are totally unacceptable and has committed his depart-

such dengus are totally infacceptable and has committed his department to spend more on the high technology industries instead of supporting what he calls the "casualties of the past".

In a speech delivered to the Electronic Engineering Association annual dinner two days ago he was emphatic that positive action was required. He said: "We must channel more resources, more help to the industries upon which the future of this country depends."

The remarks by Mr Jenkin were precipitated largely by the publication last week of a study by the Electronics Economic Development Committee of the National Economic Development Office.

The report, "Policy for the UK Electronics Industry", offered the Government the framework on which it could build its strategy.

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which it could build its strategy.

The committee concluded that the United Kingdom electronics industry is "in relative decline". That decline has been due to the inability of the British industry to keep pace with the growth of the market. The output of the industry grew 7 per cent each year from 1975 to 1980, compared with a growth in the United Kingdom market of 8 per cent a year and the world market of about 10 per cent. The consequence was a trade deficit of over £300m by 1980 although five years earlier it had been in surplus by £100m.

Despite the growth of the United Kingdom electronics industry in the latter part of the seventies which

latter part of the seventies which produced over £7,700m worth of equipment in 1980, it was not sufficient to prevent substantial import penetration. Two of the fastest growing sectors in electronics are information technology (largely, computers, telecommunications or related equipment) and consumer electronics. By 1980 these two sectors alone, again through explosives demand created by the advances made in the technology, had a combined trade deficit of more than 4500m. The success of other seriors in the industry and those provided by computer service companies produced a trade surplus of £200m

of £200m...

What strategy should be adopted to reverse this trend is the question occupying a number of minds at the Department of Industry. The NEDDY report is in no doubt that "A continuation of current trends would imply a further decline in the United Kingdom share of the world market and an equivalent loss of trade, profit and job opportunities".

The council wants British companies to develop their international competitiveness and has called on

panies to gevelop their international competitiveness and has called ongovernment to use its public procurement capability to direct industry. The government is still in the process of preparing its response to the NEDDY report but Mr Jenkin is not prepared to accept that it should be his department's responsibility to bail out

unimaginative companies.

He believes that the ultimate commercial judgment of the market cannot and should not be substituted.

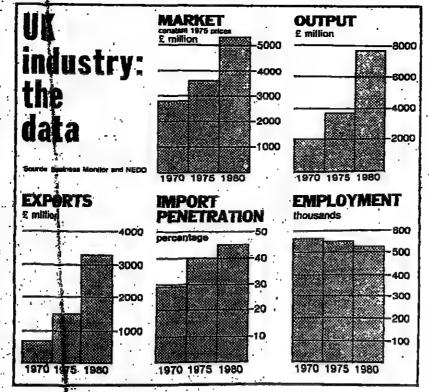
cannot and should not be substituted by: "The judgment of ministers and civil servains".

In his speech to the delegates of the Electronic Engineering Association he argued that companies must be responsible in the end for their own fate. He said: "If firms do not have prime responsibility for their own research and development and their own market strategy, surely we will simply perpetuate that cofy overdependence of the industry on government dence of the industry on government patronage which many see as one of the sources of our problems".

What are the principal areas in which the British electronic compaon oil and gas insurance as a nies should be channelling their possible prelude to offshore energies? According to Mr Jenkin: drilling in Vietnam waters by "It is the industry that mus be the Soviet Union."

Electronics and the challenges facing Whitehall

• 14 1975 Britain exported £100m worth more electronic goods than it imported. Five years later imports exceeded exports by more than £300m. Recetly a specialist committee at the National Ecodomic Development Office suggested a framework for government policy towards the industry and this week Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, revealed the Governments concern over import penetration. Bill Johnstone points to the challenges



where the prospects are brightest. That may well mean each firm concentrating on that which it does best and leaving the rest to its

competitos?.

Howeverany strategy designed to arrest the rising level of imports must encourage the industry to develop new markets, new products and new techniques. Skills that have been refined over years of manufacture are important but it could ;be argued that they are not enough. Some of the products and the technologies existing in numerous sectors of the electronics industry did not exist five years ago.

New markets and new techniques are increasingly in evidence in the consumer electronics market which has a turnover of £500m in Britain

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and employs about 30,000 of the 525,000 people who work in the

industry.
The colour television market is one of the most lucrative in the one of the most lucrative in the consumer sector. About two million sets are sold each year in Britain — worth more than £350m. But this industry is under threat. The licences held by the creators of the European television system (PAL) which restricted the importation of large screen sets by foreign manufacturers expire next year. facturers expire next year. Another report which has just been prepared for the National Economic Development Council by the Electronic Consumer Goods working party doubts whether Britain will then be

able to compete.

But one of the most serious



Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry (left) and Mr Kenneth Baker Minister for Information Technology: preparing the Government's

deficiencies of the British consumer deficiencies of the British consumer electronics market lies in the manufacture of video products in the country. Last year over 900,000 videos were rented or sold in Britain and this year that figure is expected to rise to 1.4m. to rise to 1.4m.

None is manufactured in Britain

Thorn-EMI in
partnership with the Japanese
Victor Company (JVC) intends to
build video cassette recorders in
Newhaven in Surrey in the near
future. The market is shared by the
manufacturers of the JVC design
(about 65 per cent), Sony (22 per
cent) and Philips.

Philips intends to launch its
videodisc player on May 26 in
London, These players will be made
at the company's plant in Hasselt in
Belgium. The discs themselves are
currently being manufactured at the
Mullard factory in Lancashire.

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But the large scale importation of video and related products is a subject that has seriously concerned the Department of Industry and many industrialists in the consumer sector. The NEDDY working party expresses its concern, but is optimistic. It says: "The UK is not necessarily out of video for good, but it does mean that the need to make sure of the next mass market product after that becomes particularly pressing". It then stresses that the British industry must transform its colour television set into a more sophisticated product which could include a number of features as include a number of features as standard — remote control, teletext, multi-channel selection, frequency converters for cable television and stereo sound.

But the success of the information technology industries, which have a current trade deficit of £230m is crucial. By 1990 if nothing was done, the deficit could be as high as £1 bn. These industries are big business. By 1985 the world market will be worth in excess of £120 be af which where £ £120 bn of which about 5 per cent will be in Britain.

The Government has already recognized the Importance of the industries by appointing a minister, Mr Kenneth Baker, to be in charge of them and by designating this year "Information Technology Year".

But what is the best strategy to be adopted by the Government to encourage growth in the electronics industry? The Government's decision on whether to allow cable television in Britain on a large scale, as recommended by the Information Technology Advisory Panel of the Cabinet Office, would provide a unique opportunity

Government expenditure in electronics already accounts for 46 percent of all government funding to industry.

It is in a unique position to influence the decisions made by companies. The Government is also one of the principal users of high technology products - computers, telecommunications, terminals, and so on. As a major purchaser has the power to influence research. More than £650m is spent each

year within the electronics industry on research and development. At least half of that is provided by government.

Stronger links between industry and government are favoured by NEDDY. It concludes that foreign governments have successfully provided mechanisms which have not been designed to interfere with the technical direction of com-panies, but encourage them in the development of internationally competitive products. Any new government strategy for

to bare this in mind. Those who cannot survive internationally find it increasingly difficult to compete at home, faced with technically advanced imports.

This is the challenge that faces a government, traditionally not happy with having intimate relationships with the private sector.

C. Gordon Tether

US interest rates: the coming fall

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to see must await on a satisfactory outcome to the battle with Congress over the the Americans have not budget deficit. The real shown themselves disposed question is whether with the hitherto to see the unpopuslowdown in the pace of larity abroad of their interest inflation pushing real inter-rates policy as a decisive est rates to astronomic levels reason for changing it. Other and the strength of the dollar countries' contention that pressing ever harder on the resulting necessity to allow anything to stand in at levels calculated to inhibit its way.

fall was in the offing, was apt to be the subject of a flat denial by another equally prominent member the next. But during the past month or

Clamour

The implication is that, rencies this year. So the once arrangements for cut-deterioration in the United States exports-imports rebeen agreed with Congress—lationships arising from the and only then — processes calculated to reduce interest rates will automatically be set in motion. The received wisdom, as the President's words demonstrate, is that high interest rates have ignore this reason for petting

effective control over this rampant boom. No case aspect of economic policy, whatsoever can be made out And as the Canadian prime for them in the middle of a minister has said, he will be recession that has pushed up reminding Mr Reagan at the United States unemployment forthcoming Versailles to the 10 million mark. forthcoming Versailles to the 10 million mark. summit, that action is overdue on the half-promise that © Times Newspapers Limited, 1982

The Reagan Administration America gave at last year's continues to insist that the Tokyo meeting to get interest fall in United States interest rates down within six to eight

an urgently-needed revival of capital investment has been During much of the past ment that there was no car, it has been more than a obligation on anyone to take year, it has been more than a obligation on anyone to take little difficult to make sense their monetary cue from of pronouncements from America. But it so happens Washington on the outlook that they must now be in the for United States interest process of discovering importances. A prediction one day tant reasons of their own for from one prominent member a radical change of course. Sell-weight the officer was transfer in the officer was transfer.

Justify

One is that the pressures But during the past month or two a consensus has begun to imposed on America's interemerge. President Reagan national trade by the gave simplistic expression to absurdly high value America's expression to absurdly high value Americate week or two back. He can interest rates have put on said: "High interest rates the dollar are mounting and have brought this economy to appear destined to go on its knees. To get it going appear destined to go on its knees. To get it going so. The adverse balagain, we have to let business ance of trade is already know that we are cutting running beyond last year's deficits. That will be the near-record level. More counsignal business wants." ation for relief from their economic problems -- there have already been two general realignments of Euro-pean Monetary System cur-The implication is that, rencies this year. So the

high interest rates have ignore this reason for getting pushed America into reinterest rates trave ignore this reason for getting
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hardly do the same with that
down will clear the way for to be found in the trementhe economic upswing that dous boost the fall in the
was scheduled to take place inflation rate is giving to real
this enring but so far has income? Hopefully, the deficit road-block will be removed without undue delay. But even is the part of the borrower after allowing for the erosive effect of inflation on his this does this spring but so far has interest rates - that is the

out undue delay. But even if Between the last quarter of this does not happen, it is last year and the first quarter hard to see American interest of this, the American inflahard to see American interest of this, the American infla-rates staying at their present tion rate was running no dizzy beights for much higher, in annual terms, than longer. One reason for this is 4 per cent. This means that that the clamour from the the real rate of interest for outside world for the adop- Bank prime loans is now in tion of a mure neighbourly the vicinity of 13 per cent — monetary policy by the twice what it was as recently United States is growing as the second half of last more insistent.

Other countries do not Real interest rates of this accept the Reagan team's order would be difficult to theme that he has not justify at the height of a

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

Interim Results

A STATE OF LANGE	6 months ended 31.3.82	6 months 12 months ended ended 31.3.81 30.9.81
Profit before taxation	£43.1m	£43.3m £107.9m
Profit after taxation (note 1)	£39.5m	£25.3m £67.0m
Profit attributable to ordinary, shareholders (note 2) Earnings per 25p ordinary share Dividend per 25p ordinary share	£59.9m 25.3p 2.8p	£25.8m £78.3m 11.2p 41.9p 2.4p 5.4p

Extract from Interim Statement by the Chairman, Sir Michael Herries

The unaudited profit before taxation, on an historical cost basis, amounted to £43.1 million for the six months ended 31 March 1982. This compares with a profit of £43.3 million for the corresponding period in the previous year which has been restated for the change in accounting for leasing as explained in the 1981 annual report. After adjusting for the effect of inflation the profit before taxation on a current cost basis was £25.1 million and, for the corresponding period last year, £27.2 million.

During the six months ended 31 March 1982 the Group has benefited from increased volumes and, whilst average base rate increased slightly from 14.4% to 14.5%, this has been more than offset by the narrowing of interest margins and the trend away from current accounts to interest bearing deposits. This trend shows every sign of continuing within the current half year. Commission and fee income has shown an encouraging increase but the provision for bad and doubtful debts has increased by £5.3 million over the corresponding period last year thus reflecting the continuing difficult trading conditions in the economy generally. Despite tight control operating costs have continued to rise particularly public Despite tight control operating costs have continued to rise particularly public sector costs. The share of profits from associated companies has increased by almost a third.

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GLASS

Profits up by 29% reports Chairman Patrick W. McGrath

I am particularly pleased to report a return to profit growth. The Group pre-tax profit for the year amounted to over IR£10 million as compared to some IRES million in 1980. There was a general improvement in pretax profits in all sectors of the Group notably in the retail division. This achievement against a background of continuing recession and high inflation is encouraging but continued effort is necessary to maintain the pressure to overcome the current recessionary trends. Group properties have been revalued

For the purpose of clearer identification and in order to avoid confusion between the holding company and the manufacturing units, it is proposed to change the name of the company to Waterford Glass Group Limited

resulting in a surplus of IR£20

Waterford Crystal The lightingware factory came into full production during 1981 and we

Financial Highlights

PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION

TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

EARNINGS PER SHARE

ORDINARY DIVIDEND

PER SHARE (NET)

TURNOVER

have been successful in introducing a large range of new products particularly to the US market. In all, 80% of Waterford crystal is exported. Overall, the crystal division, both manufacturing and distribution, achieved its budgeted results. Although high interest rates prevailed for much of 1981, the US subsidiary turned in an improved performance over the previous year.-The UK market remains depressed but it is hoped that the ending of the recession will be more evident in 1982.

measures.

Switzer Group

IR. 190,248,000

10,359,000

4.10p

1.511p

80,443,000

Aynsley China In spite of the sluggish business climate in the UK, Aynsley has continued to produce at full capacity, embarking on aggressive marketingand production diversification:

Profits for 1980 were virtually eliminated following a policy of stock rationalisation. These measures were

1980 IR£

8,051,000

2.99p

1.511p

more than justified in 1981 with the Group's recovery to pre-1980 levels.

The Smith Group During 1981, it more than held its place in the market with 9% of new

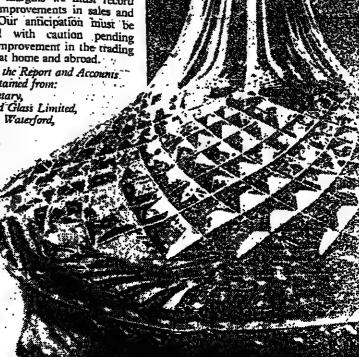
car registrations and is amicipating

an improved share during 1982. Outlook

It is not possible to predict the outcome for the coming year with any degree of accuracy. The degree of success will depend on the level of recession in the various activities. If we are to be successful in maintaining adequate margins we must record further improvements in sales and profits. Our anticipation must be tempered with caution pending further improvement in the trading climates at home and abroad. Copies of the Report and Accounts can be obtained from:

The Secretary, Waterford Glass Limited, Kilbarry, Waterford,

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Cash call for £16m at Carless

Carless, Capel & Leonard the oil exploration and solvents group, is asking shareholders for £16m through an underwritten one-for-four rights issue at 135p per share to finance the next stage of its United Kingdom oil and gas exploration programme.

Onshore licences were granted last month to a consortium headed by Carless, Capel covering a large of southern England, and the directors believe that exploration should continue to be financed by equity

The directors estimate that taxable profits before extraordinary items will fall from £2.19m to £2m in the year ended March 31, and although not making a forcast for this year expect a substantially increased con-tribution from the United

A final dividend of 2.5p gross is being recommended making an unchanged 3.93p per share for the year. The directors intend to at least maintain the level this year Since it began oil and gas

exploration in the United Kingdom in 1973 and later extended activities to onshore fields, Carless Exploration has spent £6.3m, of which £5.8m has been capitalized, including £1.7m as payment for interests in three North Sea premium blocks awarded in the United

Kingdom seventh round.
In the year just ended its wholly owned United States subsidiary, Carless Resources, participated in the drilling interest equivalent to 28.6 net with an estimated There is no restoration of the year.



Mr John Leonard, Chairman of Carless, Capel

average success ratio of 67 dividend, last paid in 1977 at the rate of 7.6p gross. Trading losses rose from

£373,000 to £491,000 with generating cash flow at an interest charges falling from annual rate of approximately \$1.5m and with the benefit of £391,000 to £203,000, but reorganization costs at the wells being brought on stream in the next few Tottenham Court Road store cost £225,000. months cash flow this year is expected to multiply four-

There was an extraordinary credit of £355,000 relating to the sale of the group's Two weeks ago the group two Bromley properties which were sold to help to struck oil with the second of. appraisal wells at reduce borrowings and finance refurbishment. The Humbly Grove, five miles from Basingstoke, The first stated loss per shere was is producing oil at the rate of £7.29 against £6.08. 750 barrels a day. Carless, Capel slipped 3p to 176p.

Heal's seventh

increase was 21 per cent.

lean year

ive annual loss.

Heal's is awaiting the outcome of its appeal against the rejection of a planning application to redevelop part of its Tottenham Court Road site for office use. The group uses only 85,000 sq ft for retailing in the total site area

Tighter margins and increased promotional expenditure pushed pretax losses of Heal & Sons, the furnishing group, up from £767,000 to £919,000 in the year to January, the seventh successive annual loss. of 200,000 sq ft. Late last year Colonial Mutual Life took its stake in the group to 25 per cent after the acquisition of the 15 per cent holding of the Staples group, which was partly controlled by trusts associated with the Heal family. Sales overall rose by 6 per cent to £11.91m, although at the group's Tottenham Court Road store in London the

In his interim statement Mr Oliver Heal, chairman, said the level of losses could be substantially reduced this

Interest rates Big increase help Gerrard for Pritchard

Pritchard Services Group, Gerrard & National re-ported profits of £4.31m in the cleaning and maintenance business presently performthe year to April 5 compared with 55.8m in the previous ing private sector cleansing duties in the London borough year. Although profits, after of Wandsworth, dramatically increased pretax profits to tax and transfer to secret reserves, are down, the 6.1m from £3.53m for the discount house appears to year to January 1982. have fared better in the

Turnover also rose steeply second half of the year than — to £177m from £86m — and the first. was attributed by the group to a combination of organic Gerrard said that because the sharp September rise growth and acquisition. in interest rates it made only a small profit in the first six Based on the capital strucmonths, far less than the high level in the first half of

ture at the year end — there was a capital reconstruction in February this year - the final dividend has been the previous year.
The second half has been a increased to 5p gross from 3.57p. The total payout for more favourable period for discount houses, which have benefited from the fall in interest rates and rise in the the year on this basis is 7.1p gross against 5p gross. gilts market during the early

After the reconstruction, the total dividend for each new ordinary share is 3.5p

gross against 1.78p. Mr Peter Pritchard, chair-man, said: "Our resilience during this period of severe worldwide recession has been due largely to the size and diversity of our group in a-number of growth areas within the services sector."

well as Pritchard's office cleaning and security activities the group is also the second biggest provider of non-clinical health care services in the United States.

Mr Pritchard said he expected "another record year in 1982 despite the likelihood of a continuing difficult economic environ-

enthusiasm of analysts for Pritchard has lead to a steady rise in the share price over recent months. As a result the price closed unchanged at Op. The gross dividend yield

reported that its net profits tumbled to (£81m) last year from in 1980, if the profi revaluation of stocks from last year's ear valued at

FF:4,500m in 1980. Australian brewer ooth plans to increase its tholand in the diversified incus it group National Consolidate to 48.6 per cent from 19.9 per cet. Tooth will ofter AS1.46 (87p) x-rights for each of the 19.45 of National Consolidated's 66.6 m 50 cents ordinary shares cur atly on issue

(8.600m).

gross to 15.4p to leave the year's total up by 12.5 per cent to 22.5p. Disclosed shareholders funds show an increase from

£30.2m to £32.1m and the size of the balance sheet has increased by 6 per cent from £1,465m to £1,565m;

Kwik Save up

months of this year.

The Gerrard interim divi-

dend was left unchanged but

the final is raised from 12.9p

With all the proceeds from January's £11.9m rights issue still intact, Kwik Save, the discount supermarket group, raised pretax profits by 21 per cent to £10.68m in the six sales up by 24 per cent at f235.21m. months to February with

Mr Ian Howe, joint managing director, said that the group had expected sales to rise faster than profits as part of a policy of holding margins to increase sales.

OVERSEA **COMPANIA**

Fr5,000m from the said the results would have shown an actual, less of FFr3,600m compared with a 700n profit in

Siemens world grup net profit was Dm313 (E76m) the first six months of 1961 32 against Dm266m in the sale period last year. - Sales - were 1.0m18,100m (15,900m), and for gn 10,200m

Far East Consorter and 'RJ Reynolds subsidiay Sea-Land Orient say they have formed a ioint venture chipany, Asia Terminals, to build a FK\$1,000m (£98m) six-storey chainer freight terminal at Kwa Chung, Hong Kong. Completion of the project planned for early 1 86.

Australian mine MIM Holdings

planned for early 190.

Australian mine MIM Holdings reported continued tosses in the third quarter of its 1981/82 year as a result of rung costs and depressed world setal prices. It had a net loss of A\$13.98m (£8.3m) in 40 waks to April 4 compared to a A\$4.44m profit in the same period at year and to the 1981/82 iterim loss of A\$4.47m. A\$4.47m.

A\$4.47m.

Kloeckner-Humboldt-Deutz
(KHD) is proposite a dividend of DM7 (£1.70) per share for 1981. This is unchanged from 1980. KHD sales rose per cent today 3,910m marks and the company projected sales cover DM4.000m in the current year which, it said, in the first ronths produced satisfactory results.

Electrofux names

Mr John Redman has been appointed chairmen of the UK. Electrolux Group He succeeds Sir Alex Page Who is returning from the toards of May 31: Mr G. P. H. Jahnes, managing director of Electrolux and Mr.P. B. Bullock, managing director of Flymo, have been appointed joint managing directors of Electrolux associated companies in addition to their present in addition to 1

Mr. S. Marks has retired as chairman and director of Bambers Stores has been made chairman in: addition to being managing director and Mr 1: Kleiner has resigned as a dire resigned as a director.

Mr Peter J. Pror has retired as chairman of HP Bulmer.

Holdings but remains on the

board as a mon-executive director. Mr J. Butmer has been elected charman in sitc-cession to Mr Pride: Mr Laurence Commish has pecome' managing director of Daihatsu (UK).

Mr Ian C. Mattrison has been appointed deputy chief general manager of the Bank of New manager of the Bank of New South Wales, he succeeds Mr. E. C. Tait who retires next

Mr David T. Shifth has been appointed group treasurer of Tate & Lyle from 1 June He succeeds Mr Sordon L'S Tanswell who enswell who retires from the ompany on 31 May.

Mr P. J. G. Hawes, Mr R P. company on 31 Hornby and Mr B H L Wallace have been appointed as non-executive directes of McCor-

APPOINTMENTS



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Mr C. R. Webber, financial director, Capseals, has been appointed a director of Sonoco

Mr I. D. Watson has been appointed to the board of The member of the AE Group, as

Mr. J. C. M. Cuthbert has become deputy managing director of Fenchurch Scott Reinsurence Brokers.

Mr. D. M. Wilkinson has been made group financial controller of Scotlish & Newcastle Brewerles. Mr. Wilkinson was formerly thence director of Scottish & Newcastle Beer Company.

Mr. Definis Sutherland has been appointed finance director

Mr Joe Lewis who has refined, Mr C. A. MacLeod has been appointed as a director of FS Assurance, Mr. MacLeod is a

chainnan of Lyle Shipping Company and also holds board ather Scottish como Mr Adrian F. M. Friendship

Division of Halma. He rema managing. director of Locks, a Halma Safety Division Mr R. E. I. Turner has been

appointed marketing director and Mr Robin Bertiman finance

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with Akticle 29 of the Statutes, the ANNEAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held

on WEDNESDAY, the 9th June 1982, in THE QUEEN'S ROOM, THE BALTIC EXCHANGE, 14-20

(STD code 0903)

Lloyds Bank Plc as Registrar

D.M. BLYTHEN COMPANY SECRETARY

of Vir W.K.Moin, FCA, who offers himself for re-election. Indomina his member of the Committee of Management.

SALES UP... PROFITS UP. DIVIDEND UP... ANYTHING NEW FROM NO, NOTHING NEW. BRITISH SUGAR?

Another record result from British Sugar

The unaudited results for the first 26 weeks of the Company's financial year are as follows —	26 weeks ended March 28 1982 £ million	26 weeks ended March 29 1981 £ million	Year ended Sept. 27 1981 \$ million
HISTORICAL COST BASIS			
Turnover .	<u>279.0</u>	<u>259.6</u>	488.2
Profit before taxation	31.0	18.1	51.0
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Profit after taxation	27.1	. 16.2	44.5
Dividends	<u> </u>	4.5	15.0
Retained profit	<u> 18.1</u>	<u>11.7</u>	<u>29.5</u> *
Earnings per share	45.2p .	27.0p	74.3p
Fixed assets	329.8	249.4	298.8
Net current assets	_ 38.8	47.4	<u> 53.3</u>
	368.6	296.8	352.1
Term loans	_(44.3)	_(46.2)	(45.9)
Represented by equity	324.3	250.6	306.2
Net assets per share	540.5p	417.7p.	510.3p
CURRENT COST BASIS	·		
Profit before taxation	20.9	10.3	37.9
Net assets per share	759.7p	674.0p	716.0p
Earnings per share	28.3p	14.0p	52.4p
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	Interim 1982†	Interim 1981	Total 1981
Inclusive of associated tax credit	21.4p	10.7p	35.7p
Net of tax	15.0p	7.5p	25.0p

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Statement by the Chairman, Sir Gerald Thorley, T.D.

Our interim results show a further strong advance with profits having risen to £31 million, from £18 million for the same period last year. Current cost profits doubled. We are therefore proposing an interim

dividend of 15p per share net of the associated tax credit, compared with 7.5p

Sales are ahead of last year and our speciality sugars also increased their penetration of the market. Despite the most adverse early winter conditions for many years, we had another highly successful campaign with substantial improvements in efficiency and fuel-saving. Thanks to the efforts of the farmers, hauliers and our factories, only about 1% of the crop was lost, and a total of 1,093,000 tonnes of sugar was produced (1,106,000 last year).

The crop to be harvested this autumn and hence influencing our results for the 1982/83 financial year; was drilled in ideal conditions - indeed the best that have been experienced

Negotiations with the National Farmers' Union for the 1982/83 crop were

successfully concluded and the institutional price increase currently being discussed by the EEC Council of Ministers would result in an increase for sugar and sugar beet of ..., about 9% and would in factapply from July 1 1982.

On this basis and provided there are no... unforeseen events we expect that profits' before tax for the full year to September 26 1982 will be about £60 million. Consequently we expect to be able to recommend dividends for the full year net of the associated tax credit of not less than 35p per share, compared with 25p net last year. We expect that this evel of dividend will be well covered by current cost profits.

The EEC Competition Directorate are presently considering the enti-competitive position of Berisford as a shareholder in your Company. Nevertheless Berisford may be free to make a further bid for your Company after July 1 1982. The Board has therefore felt shareholders should be aware at this stage of its assessment of prospects for the year ending September 26 1982 set out in the last section. Mr. J. M. F. Padovan

who was originally appointed to the Board at the request of Berisford has not been involved at this assessment of

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ST. MARY AXE, EC3A 8BU at 11 a.m. to receive a Report from the Committee with the Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1981, to propose a Dividend, to elect desimitably a Member of the Committee in accordance with Article 16 of the Statutes, and to elect a Member of the Committee.

By Article 27 of the Statutes the General Meeting is composed of holders, whether in person or by proxy or both together, of at least thirty chares, who, to be entitled as take part in the Maering, must deposit their shares and, as may be necessary, their proxies far the Head Office of the Company is Istanbib object any of the branches, or in Landon at 2/3 Philipor Lane, EC3M 8AQ or in Paris at 7 rue Meyerhear, 75009, at least ten days before the date fixed for the Meeting.

The Report of the Committee and the Accounts which will be presented to the General Meeting are available to the Shareholders at the Head Office in Istanbel and at the offices in London and Paris

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Larkins baffles Yorkshire hopes

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

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By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

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TAUNTON: Sussex, with three first innings wickets standing, are 30 runs behind Somerset.

The weather, defying proph-

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esy, was sunny, even warm if you kept out of the wind. As I travelled across Somerset, I found it hard to take my eye from the green fields and hills, with the occasional flash of mustard yellow. The rain had come, I was told, just in time to save the hay harvest, so who are we cricketers to complain?—Somerset began at 121 for six, after a shortened Wednesday. The Taunton pitch dried quickly, and played relatively easily to

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candidate last year but now banned from test cricket after

playing in the pirate series in South Africa, scored 78 in 145 minutes as Warwickshire pursued Clamorgan's first innings total of 303.

Humpage's onslaught brought

15 boundaries and was at its height in a 77-minute stand of 102 with Andy Lloyd. But Lloyd's departure in a 44 spell by Rodney

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Sussex began steadily. Bardlay saw it as his familiar duty to be

Rebel Humpage on the rampage

BIRMINGHAM: Glamorgan, with all their second innings wickets standing, lead Warwickshire by 35 runs.

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By Alan Gibson

the anchor man. Mendis hit a six, which broke a flat of a bench about a yard from where I was sitting. Soon afterwards he was leg before to Museley. Rose set an attacking field, as if to persuade the batsmen there was some wickedness left in the pitch. At that time there was not, much, though in the afternoon the ball did lift unpredictably from time to time.

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Wells had got nicely in when he fan himself out. Parker—another man for whom this is an important season—played splendidly for half an hour. Botham bowled short at him and was hooked, fearlessly, time and again. But, Botham, who looked very fit, had him leg before. Barclay remained staunch.

At yea, after 33 overs, the store

Barclay keeps Sussex in Hunt

day, all the ane, if not quite the all-conquering one they must have been hearing for at lunch. A sore back prevented Lumb from opening Yorkshire's second inotings. If it har stiffened up in the wind it would'be no surprise. It was bitterly cold.

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Larkins: a model of concentration

creeps rather than jumps. If the weather stays fine, and it was looking clear enough in the evening, we may yet have a good finish. Both sides are eager for victory. The chances are against Sussex, because they have to bat last, and there is an increasing uncertainty in the pifch. Parks to the rescue

Southampton: Leicestershire, with all second-innings wickets stand-ing, are five runs behind

ing. are five runs behind Hampshire.

A robust 104 by Cowley, who shared in an eighth-wicket stand of 121 in 26 overs with Parks. enabled Hampshire to take a first-innings lead of 20 over Leicestershire at Southampton Mooday. By the closee Leicestershire, in their second innings, had made 15 without loss. Cowley betted for 143 minutes, bitting two sixes, a five and 14 fours. It was his highest score since making his only previous first-class century, against Somerset

class century, against Somerset five years ago.

Cowley and Parks, who joined forces when Hampshire were in trouble at 165 for seven rode their lack in a comment or rode. trouble at 165 for seven rode their luck in a century partnership which came up in only 65 minutes. Parks, who made 44, was dropped after scoring only three and Cowley was put down at stip off Taylor with his score on 59.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Invinge: 281 Deviction 172, T E Jecty 8 for 71), Second innings ne not out

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Total (9 whits dec., 85 3 overs) 301 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-40, 3-92, 4-98, 5-120, 5-131, 7-165, 8-286, 9-298, Umpres: W E Alley and K E Palmer

Cowley and Broad bat is fine support for Zaheer

OXFORD: Oxford University are 13 runs behind Gloucestershire, with eight innings wickets in with eight innings wickets in hand. Zaheer Abbas hit the 11th century of the season at The Purks as Gloucestershire took their score from 52 for no wicket to 411 for five declared. He scored 144, his 91st first-class century, the innings including a six and 18 fours.

Chris Broad, who added 101 for the first wicket with Paul Romaines, also looked set to make a hundred but was 1-b-w to Stuart Ridge for 95.

Stuart Ridge for 95.
Oxford's weak attack was reduced to three bowlers when the leg-spinner, Andrew Giffillan, broke an index finger while batting the previous day and the opening bowler, Raiph Cowan, was immobilised with a back injury. Stuart Ridge for 95.

injury.
The dark blues, needing 181 to make Gloucestershire, bat again, scored 50 for two in the last

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings: 230 (R G P Elia 65, C R Trembath 5 for 61)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-49.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First lenings B C Broad live b Ridge

Total (5 wkts dec) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-101, R-160, 3-321, 4-326, 5-362 3-2-1-0; 12-2-42-0,

Dedicated Nottinghamshire start with two-day victory

By Richard Streeton MANCHESTER: Nottinghamshire (23 pts) heat Lancashire (4) by an innings and 37 runs.

innings and 37 runs.

Nottinghamshire, the feigning champions, maintained the tight grip they took on this match from the start and won inside two days with almost disdainful ease. Lancashire were bowled out in their second innings for 129 in two hours 40 minutes and a lively pitch and poor light did not excuse them completely for a poor performance.

cloud and a green wicket always gave the quicker bowlers a chance and Hadlee, Hendrick and Cooper all exploited the conditions better than the Lancashire attack, Nottingham batted more purposefully, 100, and held some fine catches. They were in the nets for an hour soon after 9.30 yesterday and there is little doubt that this sort of dedication, together with the combative leadership of Rice, should bring them another should Dring inem another rewarding summer. Lancashire, who have hovered near the bottom of the championship table for six years, clearly have the players but they lack application and, perhaps, belief in them-

Nottinghamshire, resuming at at him. Simmons hit nine fours 146 for three, soom lost Randall, in his 41 but Hadlee, who took

who was beaten by Croft's speed.
Birch and Hadlee, however, then
added 81 in under an hour with
forceful strokes and a challenging spirit. Birch drove Croft on
both the front and back foot, and
Hadlee hit Allott and Simmons
for straight sixes. Birch finally
was bowled off his boot by a ball
that kept low and Hadlee was
bowled behind his legs trying to
sweep. sweep.
Nottinghamshire lost their last

Nottinghamshire lost their last four wickets rather quickly and missed a fourth batting point. McFarlane, who took a lot of wickets for Bedfordshire last year, finished with four wickets, a promising start to his Lancashire career. He is 28, Jamaicanborn, and bowls brisk medium pace with a smooth action.

Lancashire, lacing arrears of 166, began their second innings 45 minutes late after lunch because of a rain stoppage. Hadlee and Hendrick each took a wicket in their first over and by the Lancashire were 53 for tive and the match was effectively finished.

A lor depended on the Lluyds and both fell at 31, Clive Lloyd Jaunched into a full-blonded cover drive and Hemmings clung to a superb catch at his ankles at 160-285. Incomp. Allow 17 - 2-26, 1 - 2-26, 1 - 2-26, 1 - 2-26, 2 - 2-27, 4 - 104, 2 - 2-27, 4 - 27,

to a superb catch at his ankles at cover point. David Lloyd offered no stroke to a ball that came back

six wickets, had too much hostility and variable bounce for the others.

Fletcher brings on the sunshine

Lord's: Muldlesex, with all first innings wickets in hand, are 347 innings wickets in hand, are 34, runs behind Essex.

A century by Keith Fletcher, the 55th of his career was the highlight of the 2 hours 20 minutes play possible yesterday. Making the 26 runs he needed nearly and efficiently, Fletcher had been at the species for 3 hours and 27 means the species of the 3 hours and 27 means.

efficiently, Fletcher had been at the crease for 3 hours and 27 minutes hitting 10 boundaries when he became the fifth wicket to fall.

If this match concludes with a positive result later today, then the weather will have been kinder and the captains will have jound in some juggling. In ten minutes batting before the close lust evening Middlesex made eight runs from three overs.

tromthreeovers.
Until play began at 4.15 it had been another of those cold, wet and unfriendly days totally unsuited to cricket. But, as Fletcher (74) and Phillip (7) followed Middlesex to the middle, the sun broke through as if to support the umpires decision, and thereafter, though spectators were conspicuous only by their absence, the cricket bristled with interest which made for pleasant watching.

Trying to read into a captain's deliberations in a situation such as

among prophets as to his probable intentions. In a short time Fletcher had proved a handful quite wrong, so there was no alternative but to retreat to a defensive position,

retreat to a defensive position, there to wait and see.

Essex easily took their first hurdle to collect a third point, and while Phillip set about Edmonds, on driving him for six, and Daniel whom he pulled for four behind the square leg to the Mound Stand, Fletcher moved steadily towards his 100. He got there by driving Edmonds towards the extra cover boundary but had to run for his four Fletcher went on to make

but had to run for his four Fletcher went on to make another 20 before he fell to a good catch by Daniel, moving in from the boundary behind the square leg, and then his stand with Phillip was worth 110. Essex pushed on half a pace ahead of lengthening shadows with Phillip, Turner and David East helping Essex to 355 from 108 overs before Fletcher declared.

Total (A skis dec) BOWLENC: Daniel 31-4-10**-4 Selver 23 7-4-83-2, Williams 14-4-74-0, Enthquy 16-1-44-2 Edmant 19-1-63-1 MIDDLESEX First Immedy.
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Wright hit three times but soldiers on cight second innings wickets in hand, lead Worcestershire by 121 runs. John Wright, the Derbyshire opening batsman, was doubled up three times by balls which struck him in the midriff yesterday. But he battled on for second inning part of the control of the co

him in the midriff yesterday. But he battled on for two hours and a hulf to remain unbeaten with 52 and help his side to a useful lead. Wood ad Kirsten each helped Wright in half contury partnerships and Derbyshire reached 117 for two wickets by the close of

A defiant Ormrod batted three hours and threequarters to hold the Worcestershire innings single in six overs was all he together, after losing three partners for 12 runs. He managed only 39 before becoming one of Hacker's five victims.

Ormrod shared in a partnership of 81 with Patel, whose 48 contained six boundaries. The brightest butting of the day was brightest butting of the day was a loss of the day was a loss of the five after 52 overs, Humphries oversook his partner is less than 50 minutes. Ormod shared in a partner-ship of 81 with Patel, whose 48 contained six boundaries. The brightest butting of the day was by Humphries, whose 52 in 80, minutes included nine fours.

Hemsley lasted only four balls before he fell but, when lunch was taken at 109 for five after 44 overs. Ormrod was umbeaten with 30 after three hours. Worcester-shire were then 89 runs behind. Miller's off spin was tried after lunch but he gained no encour-agement from the pitch. He was thumped past cover by Himphries

DERSYSHIRE: First innings 198 (A P Pridgeon 6 for 66, A E Warner 4 for 73)

Total (2 wilts) FALL OF WICKETS 1-50, 2-101 WORCESTERSHIRE: First business

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FOOTBALL: SPAIN DISAGREEMENT/FOREST DISSOLUTION/ANDERLECHT APPEAL DISMISSAL

Scots call for Cup boycott

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By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

The Scottish players' union yesterday called for a boycott of the World Cup the day after the Scottish Football Association had told their SS club representatives to follow the directives of the Government over the Falkland Island troubles. The English Professional Footballers' Association immediately rejected the idea, considering it "far too premature", and confirmed that any call for a boycott would "never come from them".

Harry Lawrie, the secretary of the Scottish Union, contacted Gordon Taylor his English counterpart, and proposed "send-lives are being lost, then sport is a defining a joint letter to Mrs Thatcher indicating the position and acking her to tell the associations of Scotland, England and Northern Ireland not to go to Spain" He added that his committee had been thinking of taking action for some time and deemed this "the ideal time to join forces", Neither Mr Taylor or Alan Gowling, the PFA's chairman, nor even Ernie Walker, the scretary of the Scottish Pootball Association, agreed. All conceded, however, that if the present conflicts continue, and

Rainworth secretary, said: "It's as though the whole of Nottinghamshire is going to Wembley. All the local league matches have been cancelled and there isn't a single coach left free for Saturday within a 50-mile radius, of Rainworth."

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If Runcorn, the new Alliance Premier League champions, are anxiously awaiting a visit from Football League officials who will decide whether their facilities are up to League standards.

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of Rainworth."

Clough and Taylor in

Football's most famous part-nership, Brian Clough and Peter Taylor, looks to be over. Mr Taylor Nottingham Forest's as-sistant manager left the City Ground last night, apparently for the last time. He was quoted as saying: "I need a rest. I am stuffed full of football and need a break."

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It is not thought that a row between him and Mr Clough is the reason for the split. Mr Clough said: "Peter has been hinting that he might leave the club for some time, so I half expected this. I shall carry on and there is no question of replacing him. How can you replace someone like him. It is like trying to find another Lester Piggott or Geoff Boycott."

Forest's poor season by the standards of their management pair has caused many disagreements between them but Mr Clough said: "There has always been lively discussions us and that is why it has been such a good partnership. But there is no rift."

This was confirmed by Mr



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berough 1. Oxford City 2 MEDIAND LEAGUE: Afterion 1, Boston 1; Shopshed 6, Long Ealon 0. Rugby League

Villa given cup final go-ahead

The European Football Union (UEFA) yesterday rejected an appeal by Anderlecht against the decision to allow Aston Villa io face Bayern Munich in the European Cup final in Rotterdam later this month. A fine imposed on Anderlecht for their failure adequately to control crowd. adequately to control crowd disturbance during their semi-final tie at home to Villa was, however, reduced from £4,375 to £1,450.

Anderlecht had called for the semi-final to be replayed because they considered they had suffered "psychological harm" when an English supporter ran onto the pitch during the Brussels match. UEFA, meeting in Zurich, decided that the disturbance had had no decisive influence on the match.

Villa, who did not appeal against their fine of £14,500 or the decision that they must play their next UEFA game behind closed doors, yesterday sent officials to Rotterdam to discuss crowd arrangements for the

● Torpedo Vladimir have been expelled from the Soviet league in what appears to be the latest in a series of corruption scandals. The newspaper Sovietsky Sport said yesterday the team had been removed from the second division for violating "moral-ethical norms of behaviour and showing shortcomings in political work". The team's manager, two trainers, six players and several officials were disqualified from senior football and the head of the local sports authority was severely reprimanded, the newspaper said.

Brazil, the World Cup favourites, beat a feeble Portugal side 3-1 on Wednesday night, but it was a drub and unconvincing affair. Junior opened the scoring after 17 minutes, Eder tapped in a loose ball for the second, and Zico hit the third from a penalty. Nene converted a penalty for Portugal in the dying seconds.

TODAY'S FIXTURES FOURTH DIVISION: Coichester v Stockport County (7 30); York City v Halitax (7 30) MIDLAND LEAGUE: Appletry-Frodingham Alfreton (7 00). RUGBY LEAGUE: Second dryslon, Halliax y Dinicaster (7 30). BOXING: ABA National finals, Wambley Arene, ... WPGA Classic. Woburn.
TENNIS: Women's open singles pronship (Hayling Island).

Thorburn out of form

SNOOKER

Jimmy White brushed the number two seed Cliff Thorburn, aside to reach the second round of the Embassy world professional snooker championship at Sheffield last night — and then said he felt sorry for the 1980 world champion. White, the 1981 world amateur champion, from Tooting, South London, ran up a four-manutes century break on Wednesday as he raced to a 7-2 overnight led. White, 20 last Saturday, was a pale shadow of himself but still added Thorburn to the list of fallen seeds in the first round. All the top three seeds, Steve Davis, Thorburn and Terry Griffiths have now departed at the first hurdle.

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Cliff was just terrible both days
and when your upponent is
playing that badly it is hard to
concentrate. I feel sorry for
Cliff, I have been practising with
him recently and his game is
nothing like it used to be". White
started yesterday by making a 62
clearance to lead 8-2.

been stashed to 66-11 and by now
Cural bookmakers had reduced
him to 12-1, with William Hill
quoting a miserly 6-1.

The Australian humber eight
seen Eddie Charlton, twice a
losing finalist, had a 71 break in
the 12th frame of his second
round match ugainst Canada's
Bill Werbeniuj in taking a 9-3
lead.

Thorborn came back to 8-3, but 15 points ahead in the 12th frame, he snookered himself and White cleared the colours to go 9-3 up. Thorburn rescued just one more frame before White bagged a 51 break to take the last frame 66-0.

Thorburn said: "I am not enjoying snooker any more." A Second Road A knowles leads G Mars 10-4 Second Road A knowles leads G Mars 10-6, E Charlion (Australia) leads B Wortbenuk (Cenada) 11-4

FOR THE RECORD

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NATIONAL LEAGUE: Houston A Chichrati Reds 7; St. Louis Ce Chicago Cube 6, Pistsburgh Pirates Braves 2.

BOXING

Bantamweight. M Vichez (Venezuela) beat P Madură (East Germany) pts, V Miroschmchenko (Sowiel Union) boat C Sulk Chin (South Korea) pts, D Lipere (Romana) beat M Kaddour (France) pts; Feather; I Stan (Romana) beat R Trappero (Spain) pt; K Utrothayer (Mongolla) boat M Motou (Bulgare) pts, P Suckrow (WG) beat D Komelov (Vigoslavia) pts; R Nowakowski (East Germany) beat S Sarag (Engra) pts, F Summer (Turkiy) beat G Fornacuti (Italy) pts W Suncher (Venezuela) boat R Zuniga (Colombia) pts, M Sundor (Czechoslovalia) beat R Marborger (Austria) pts, Light-Weber A Cultur (Turkiy) boat R Meserwicz (Polandi pts, M Kimbu (Zane) boat R Mayper (Hingary) pts D Sants (Australia) bont P Wohlrab (Switzerland), retred lind round.

Knowles squeezed home 59-58 in the 15th frame to lead 10-5 depte a 42 break from Miles. But Miles managed breaks of 30 and 35 to win the 15th frame 82-34 as

the match headed towards its

TENNIS TEMMIS
SOLHULL: LTA tournamoni, men's quarterhrais J Smith boat D Mustarit (NC) 6-4, 6-2,
A Jarrett boat G Whitecross (Australia) 6-4, 7-5,
C Freess (France) boat L Sanders
(Netherlands) 6-3, 6-4; S van der Merwe (SA)
beat J Bates 7-6, 6-2 Women's Quarterfinals A Croft beat S Gorner 6-1,6-4, M
Demoutors (Belgium) boat L Stewart (NC) 26-4-8-6, C Farrett (NS) beat S Revist 7-5,
6-3.

BASKETBALL MATIONAL ASSOCIATION: Best of seven series, quarter treats Boston Colles 171, Washington Buffets 176, (Bordon win corres 4-1) Milwayakee Bucks 110, Philadrighta 76-ers, (Sucra lead series 3-2), 5-ar Andrew Shurs 103, South Supragnics 103, Septim Supragnics 103, Septim Supragnics 4-1).

Lads from down t'pit meet the brass he heaten. Alan Wright, the

League.
Forest Green, who like Rainworth have come through to the final from the preliminary round, have played in the Vase ever

Two contrasting faces of non-league football will be represented at Wembley tomorrow when Rainworth Miners Welfare meet Forest Green Rovers in the final of the FA Vase.

Rainworth A strictly amateur club from a Nottinghamshire mining town near Mansfield, have never played in a higher grade than at county level in the Notts Football Alliance and have no ambitions to do so. Forest Green, an ambitious semi-professional club from Nailsworth in Gloucestershire, are committed to progress and will move up at the end of the season from the Hellenic League to the Southern League.

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Forest Green, who like Rainworth have come through to the final from the preliminary round, have played in the Vase ever since its inception eight years ago. They have consistently improved their facilities in recent years and have a full-time commercial manager.

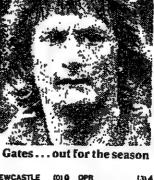
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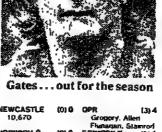
The most Green, in contrast, have eight players with Foothall League experience, including Guest, who was an England youth international while at time of Guest, who was an England youth international while at the club since the appointment 18 months ago of Bob Mursell, a former Southern League player, as manager. Mr Mursell has taken the club from the font of the Hellenic League to this year's champiouship. In typically unpredictable style has dropped the captain, Hallam, for tomorrow's game.

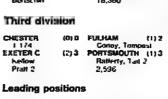
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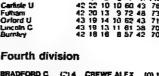
good partnership. But there is no rift."

This was confirmed by Mr Taylor, who said: "There is no row with Brian, I just want a break from football."









Leading positions

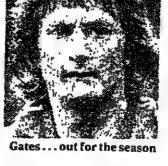
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James stays firmly

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

the world of race sponsorship of Exal Bookmakers which is part of Esal (Commodities) Ltd, the my choice. group which now owds an ever Wheeler's increasing number of horses in training with John Sutcliffe, whose late father did so much to save Lingfield, Geoff Lewis and

wave Lingfield, Geoff Lewis and Patrick Haslam.

The bookmaking side of their business has put up £14,000 this afternoon; the lion's share going to the Oaks Trial, the rest split between the Esal Maiden Stakes and the Tender Heart Stakes.

While all the runners declared for the Oaks Trial still hold engagements in the Epsom chassic, none actually feature prominently in the betting at

classic, none actually feature prominently in the betting at present. That does not mean to say that today's race is devoid of interest. On the contrary, many will be looking to Cornish Heroine to provide a further pointer to the chance of the current Oaks favourite, Sing Softly, Cornish Heroine chased Sing Softly home in the Pretty Polly Stakes at Newmarket a week ago.

Polly Stakes at Newmarket a week ago.
While respecting Cornish Hernine for that performance, I doubt whether she will beat Rockfest, who did not have the best of runs at Epsom last month when she finished fourth in the Princess Elizabeth Stakes.

The problem occurred at the bottom of Tattenham Corner where Pat Eddery had to snatch her up in order to avoid striking into the heels of Flicker To A Flame who suddenly weakened.

As a result Rockfest lost all her impetus and with it her chance of beating Mary Mitsu, Clare Island and Rose Of Montreux. Rockfest had decent

Today's programme at Ling-cld Park marks the entry into by Stage Door Johnny, she seems the world of race sponsorship of certain to be even more effective over a mile and a half, and she is

Wheeler's Restaurants are Lingfield's other sponsors today. As they have supported the course for many years it is only appropriate that their former chairman, the late Bernard Walsh, should also have a race named after him.

The Wheeler's Restaurant Handicap looks an ideal opportunity for one sponsor to win another's prize because Purnima, who won so decisively at Kempton Park on Monday, is owned by the Esal group.

Mr Sugar (2.0), Pawan and Rana Pratap, who both run in the

3.0 race and Hearty Hunter (5.0) are other runners owned by the same group, and it will be interesting to see whether they can cap the sponsorship by also making it a festive occasion too.

Henry Candy's tremendous start to the season continued apace at Salisbury yesterday when he saddled his third double in the last three days that his kingston Warren stable has fielded runners.

fielded runners.

Reign set the ball rolling when she won the Redenham stakes more or less as she pleased. Fast that Reign looked, Candy was quick to say afterwards that she may not last long and that it is even debatable whether this sharp filly will still be all right at Royal Ascot, where the Queen Mary stakes would be a natural objective. Discussing Reign, Candy said: "She is a bit like a box of dynamite, too hot to hold and quick to go off"

Lingfield Park

2.0 SLEEPING PARTNER STAKES (Div I: Selling: £909: 71) (14

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3.0 ESAL STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £2,821: 5f) (15)

WHEELERS RESTAURANTS (3-y-o handicap: £3,241: 6f) (13)

Tate Double: 3.0 and 4.00; Treble: 2.30, 3.30 and 4.30

[Television: (BBC 2): 2.30, 3.00, 3.30 and 4.0 races]



A race against time: Peacetime battling to get fit for the Derby

More Kisses, the filly that he trained to sen the second division of the Windinton Maiden Stakes, would have ron last year had she not fallen while being led out around his yard and cut a knee badly. She still bears the scar, but the injury does not affect her action now, Judged on the way she won yesterday she should go on to better things.

After watching Mycenaen win the Dorset Handicap Stavros Niarchos's racing manager Sir Philip Payne-Galway left hotfoot for Heathrow, en route to Paris, to great Cash Asmussen, the

fillies: £15,745: 1½m) (9)

5-2-Pawen, 3 Rans Pretsp, 9-2 General Concorde, 6 Flying Disc, 8 Krudival, 10 Price of Long, 12/Antum, 20 others.

3.30 ESAL BOOKMAKERS OAKS TRIAL STAKES (Group 3: 3-y-o

15-6 King's Ride, 5-2 Sympatique, 4 Canio, 6 Telemoss, 10 Habus, 12 others.

5.0 SLEEPING PARTNER STAKES (Div-It-selling: £907: 71) (13)

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Mr Sugar, 2.30 Rumima, 3.0 Pawan, 3.30 Rockfest, 4.0 King's Ride, 4.30 Charlotte's Choice, 5.0 Hearly Bunter.

Lingfield Park selections

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11 040 POINTET 4-11-1 A Webber
12 004 TIM WHISKY 4-11-0 B R Davies
14 100 SICILLIAN GOLD 5-10-13
15 0p0 SOLARUM 4-10-10 J Williams
16 000 PAWS AND JAWS 4-10-8
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17 004 FASHION BOY 4-10-7 I Reybould 4

18 0p0 CHANEY 4-10-7 G Fletcher 4 20 004 AMBER PALACE \$10-7 ... C Smith

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SEDGEFIELD SELECTIONS: 2.45 Winternoval, 3.45 Churchil. Peak, 3.45 Pinero, 4 15 Stop II, 4 45 Bold Raider.

False alarm for Francome

John Francome's bid to share the National Hunt fockey's title with the injured Peter Scuda-more looked to have faded at Huntingdon yesterday, when he came back in an ambulance after a fall from the favourite, Magic Night in the Revent Workers By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.0 Saratoga Chip, 2.30 Brookline, 3.30 Cornish Heroine, 4.30 Worth

Night, in the Bourne Novices
Steeplechase.
But he was able to hobble into
the weighing room. A racecourse
spokesman said: "He's perfectly
OK. He must have hit a nerve in
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Goldten his leg". Francome has sportingly effered to stop riding for the season if he reaches Scudamore's total of 120 winners.

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3, Demarce (5-2 lav); 10 rea.
3.30: 1, Superfreaks (9-2); 2, Bryan Boru
(10-1); 3, Harry Hotspur (5-2), Mird Day Guin
2-1 kav. 6 ren.
4.0: 1, Hetton Yam (12-1); 2, Philnorm (5-2); 3, Greet Oak (7-1), King a Piccolo 11-10
av. 9 ren. tav. 3 ran.
4 30: 1, Old Castle Line (10-1); 2, Sravo of Venice (5-1); 2, Mackintoth Man (16-1); Magic Night 4-7 far. 6 ran.
5.0: 3, Old Knocker (13-8 § lev); 2, Cele Porter (7-2); 3, Chevington (13-6 § fav). 10 ran.

Cecil at 3-1 for Derby after Ivano victory

By Michael Seely Ivano was gene ally quoted at 25-1 for the Derbi after he had pulled away nicely at the distance to win yesterday's Dee Stakes at Chester. But the Hat William Hall now offer gainst Henry Cecil saddling the Derby winner will look very geterous by next Wednesday evenity, if Mr Fluorocarbon and Simily Great — the trainer's two other classic prospects — have won their trials in style.

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There is no oubt that the Derby picture will be much clearer by the end of next week. Ceril put the situation in a nutshell after rano's win at Chester yesteray. "I was pleased with I and and I think he'll stay," ie three-times champion traine said, "but I obviously must wait to make a final decision about Epsom until after Mr Fhuorer bon and Simply Great have run in the Lingfield Derby Trial and the Mecca-Dante Stakes at York."

There can h no doubt that I vano is an exceptionally useful colt. Lester Pagoot rode the odds-on favour e with incredible confidence, keeping him well off the pace as Medica Gold made the early running, letting a beautiful run up the inside rails, the maestro sent I ano into the lead at the distance.

The Snow Faight colt ran on well to resist comfortably the challenge of Spanish Pool, winning by a length and a half. Cecil also hal good news about.

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ATTLETICS RUGBY LEAGUE

Injury forces Simonsen to miss marathon League ruling

Northern likely to challenge

Inge Simalisen, the Norwegian joint winnerfor the first London Mardhon, for year, will not be defending for inte on Sunday Apersistent is jury has forced hist to withdraw leaving High Joges. The survives of Britain, as an even immerization wednesday and yesterday, looked into she damp, grey shy looked into she confidence Wide the other, joint vince has been in she participantly event. It cannot be concealed dar as a top class lace of the Looked has been in she participantly great, it is not alwo outstanding. The only questelp is whether Jores it is not alwo outstanding. The only questelp is whether Jores it is not alwo outstanding. The only questelp is whether Jores in great she will be shall she would be rise from Jone yesterday. All he should not be pressured by the atmosphere to run too quickly over the first few miss. The part before that will be altry automatic."

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Twickenham, the headquarters of the Rugby Football Union and the spiritual home of rugby players the world over, will be the focal point of a new marketing programme designed to raise a minimum of £5m over the next five years. This contrasts with the sum of 1200,000 a season raised by existing advertising at the ground.

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The look of the ground, recently altered by the building of the new south stand, will also be changed by the introduction of two closed circuit screens at the north-east and south-west corners. These will be used as entertainment for speciators on big-match days and for relaying information during games. They also offer the potential of live coverage of other important sporting occasions. sporting occasions.

The RFU, whose existing

The RFU, whose existing sponsorship arrangements such as that with John Player and Sons — will be completely honoured, have appointed the West Nally Group as their marketing consultants. The group's managing director, Patrick Nally, said his company were offering a totally integrated marketing programme available to a limited number of leading companies in this country.

The upper limit envisaged is 10 companies who, in return for their contribution, would receive promotional and merchandising opportunities throughout the English game, plus the use of

After five years London looks set to revive memories of 1972, when the capital lifted five ABA

set to revive memories of 1972, when the capital lifted five ABA titles and 1973 when it took six.

The eight London men at the ABA championships, sponsored by George Wimpey at Wembley Arena tonight are Repton trio John McBride (light-fily), Alan Coverley (bantam) and Bobby Parkes (light-heavy); two from St Paacras, Herman Heury (feather) and Jim McDonovell (light); and Tony Adams (light-welter) from Fitzroy Lodge, Martin Patrick (light-middle) from New Enterprise and Faribairn Honse's super-besvy Adrian Elliott.

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sow facilities at Twickenham. These include 32 hospitality boxes in the south stand which should be available in time for the University match in December this year and a 450-seat banqueting sure beneath the stand.

The agreement also opens the possibility of new RFU contracts with manufacturers, which could lead to players or clubs buying equipment through the union. Any company already supporting sponsorship agreement is likely to receive first option on the new programme.

Alan Grimsdell, the RFU treasurer, 1,2 said at a press conference in London yesterday; "Our confidence in the new marketing, plan enables us to press on with improvements lat Twickenhaml and to be thinking actively, over the next two years, about a development similar to the south stand at the other end of the ground?

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Coincidentally, the details of the RFU's new marketing project come just over a month after an announcement by another London sports marketing company of details of a projected World Cup for rugby. Such a competition does not feature high on the RFU's forward glanning list at the other end of the ground?

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New schools coaches named

Mike Williams, who has taken boys from Sevenoaks School on rugby tours ell over the world, will be the assistant manager and coach to the England 19 group team, Gibson, now moves up to coach the 19 group team, Gibson, now party to tour Zimbabwe this summer, a party managed by David Frankin, from Mill Hill School, David Hands writes.

Williams will also be the new coach to the England 16 group schools part season, in suc-

Strong party hopes to

restore London pride

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

Olympians humbled

Munich, May 6 — Two Olympic light-flyweight finalists Shamil Sabirov, of the Soviet Union, and Hipolito Ramos, of Cuba, were both beaten in the preliminary round of the world amateur championship. Sabirov, the Moscow champion, was unable to cope with tall southpaw, Yong Rwan Go, of North Korea and went out on a narrow split decision. McIntosh, of Bell Green in the Midlands, is clearly going to be the centrepièce of the championship. In his six contests in the competition Adams has only once been taken further than one round. He demolished George Gilbody, who was trying for his fifth title, in one minute. "I didn't feel a thing," Gilbody said afterwards. didn't feel a time," Gilbody said afterwards.

That is how good the blow was. Three of Adams's opponents went down in just over half a minute. In the semi-finals at Preston Adams admitted that he had "hung about a bit": he stopped Alastair Laurie of Scotland with just 12 seconds of the first round remaining.

Go, one of the three-man North Korean team, joited Sebirov with two jarring left books in the first round and calmily kept out of trouble for the remainder of the bout.

Ramos never recovered from the shock of taking a compulsory eight-count in the lifst round against Laureano Ramirez, a 22-year-old student from the Dominican Republic who has lost only four of his 58 bouts.

Ramirez tired badly late in the second round and appeared barely able to lift his arms at times in the third. But he somehow found extra reserves and managed to stave off a fusilade of right and left crosses from the desperate Ramos to earn a 3-2 decision—Retter.

☐ World Boxing Association light-flyweight champion, Katsuo Tokashiki, will defend his ritle against fellow Japanese Masaharu Inai on July 7.

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VIEWPOINT

A time for

deeds

Sports Editor

When Neil Macfariane became
Sports Minister last September,
he spoke forcefully and fluently
about tackling football hooliganism. Seven months later he is
still talking: this week he has
been listening to the views of the
London league managers.
However, the time has come
for deeds not words. The recent
eruptions of violence have
reopened the wounds which have
been festering for years. Of
course, Mr Macfarlane cannot be
expected to produce answers to
an intractable question, but he
should be in a position to take an
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If anyone doubts the seriousness of the situation, three outbreaks of violence in recent weeks should disabuse them. The first was at Anderlecht in the European Cup semi-final, as a result of which Aston Villa were fined £14,500 and will have to play their next home European tie behind closed doors — which will cost them a further £50,000. Last weekend ugly scenes at Highbury culminated in a murder after the Arsenal-West Ham match. This week at Swindon the referee was laid out by a missile and smoke bombs were thrown onto the pitch. onto the pitch.

In all these cases the finger

has been pointed at the risiting miscreants. In no sense can these people be classed as supporters of the visiting team— Let alone of the game itself. Indeed there of the game itself. Indeed there is evidence that gangs visit rival grounds to wreak havoc and bring discredit to "Enemy" fans. It is generally recognized that football hooliganism is a social disease, a view which is shared by the Sports Minister. If you had no job, no prospects and lived on the 99th floor of a crumbling tower block, you might be a football hooligan. That is a cause and not an excuse and the hooligans who bring football into disrepute are a tiny minority.

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So it is up to society to deal with offenders as well as trying to allay the underlying causes. This puts the ball firmly at the feet of government: ministers rather than football club managers or directors have the power and duty to instruct the police and the magistrates — via the Home Office which controls them. This is where Mr Macfarlane comes in, as a member of the Government and a Minister at the Department of the Environment.

Mr Macfarlane should make it his business to concentrate on the amount of vibration, his business to concentrate on the following points:

1. An identity card for football fans, without which it should be impossible to enter a British ground or travel abroad.

2. Random breath checks outside football grounds, as alcohol is almost always the root of all evil.

Motoring by Peter Waymark

Old fashioned, old fashioned price

The question for anyone comtemplating the South Korean Hyundai Pony is whether a temptingly low price and likelihood of mechanical reliability are sufficient to compensate for an old fashioned design which, in several important areas, falls seriously short of the standard of contemporary European models. Similar in size to the Ford Escort and Vauxhall Astra, the Pony was developed in

the Pony was developed in the early 1970s and went into production in 1976. It was South Korea's first indigenous car, with a dis-tinguished international international parentage. The styling was by Giugiaro from Italy; the running gear came from Mitsubishi in Japan; and the enterprise was overseen by Mr George Turnbull, form-

erly of British Leyland and now running Talbot UK.

There is a 12-model range for the British market, with a choice of three-door hatchback and four-door saloon bodyshells; 1200cc and 1400cc engines; manual and automatic transmissions; and several trim levels. Prices start at only £3,177, or almost £1,000 below either the Escort or Astra, and this is undoubtedly the car's main

selling point. My test model was the 1400 TLS hatchback. The power unit is the 1439cc overhead camshaft engine, developing 67 bhp, no longer used by Mitsubishi but familiar from some Colt models sold in Britain. The four-speed gear-box, like many Japanese box, like many Japanese boxes a delight to use, is also from Mitsubishi, as is the final drive unit. These items are tried and tested and should not give trouble; and the bodyshell carries a sixyear anti-rust warranty.

The engine, which drives the rear wheels (in itself an indication of how long ago the car was conceived) is a spirited performer and few modern units do the job better. The car feels lively, with adequate power for overtaking and a high enough top speed to permit unfussed motorway cruising.
Driven gently, the engine is smooth and quiet but even mild acceleration induces harshness. Worse than this is which will not be to the liking of sensitive stomachs. One symptom of an old design is poor fuel consumption. Ten years ago I might have been happy to get 28 mpg from a car of this size but certainly not now. My



Cheap but dated — the Hyundai pony hatchback

notoriously soggy Japanese steering, whereby it is pos-sible to turn the wheel through several degrees with-out anything happening. This is specially disconcerting when trying to hold the car steady in strong cross winds, to which the Pony, as I discovered in the recent blustery weather, is all too vulnerable.

Vital statistics: Price: £3,738; Engine size: 1439cc; Top speed: 90 mph; 0-60 mph: 15 speed: 90 mph; 0-00 mph: 15 seconds; Official fuel figures: urban, 31.6 mpg; 56 mph, 41.8 mpg; 75 mph, 31.3 mpg; Length: 13 ft; Insurance: group 4 (group 2 through special Hyundai scheme).

The rear suspension is the antiquated live axle leaf spring design and while the car corners and holds the road without undue alarm (at least in the dry; wet road grip is less sure), it has an underdamped feel that makes the vehicle appear less stable than it is. As for ride, the suspension not only fails to absorb the bumps but leaves the car wallowing unplea-

santly over rough surfaces.

The other main criticism concerns what the motor industry calls packaging, the ability to provide the maximum. mun passenger and luggage space with given dimensions. Whether front-wheel drive would have made all the difference, I do not know. What I can say is that the Pony's rear seat space is only just enough for children and all but the shortest drivers will be short on legroom. Boot space is also modest, limited by a high floor, but it can be increased by folding down the rear seat.

To balance this catalogue

maximum temperature is required. The level of equipment for a top of the line model is not generous. There

is no radio, for instance, and could have done with a rear screen wash/wipe.
The Pony is the sort of car which was being produced by the Japanese motor industry about eight years ago. Then. as now, the main appeal of such vehicles is price and the promise of trouble-free motoring. The Escort and Astra, and, for that matter, the older Vauxhall Chevette, are infinitely superior and though they may be more expensive to buy, they are likely to depreciate less quickly.

Filtering through
The lead in petrol controversy has got to the stage when statements from one side are being refuted by the other even before they are made. This week the Associated Octel company gave a briefing to motoring journalists on its exhaust gas filter obviously come to the atten-tion of the Conservation Society which, five days before, drew up a press notice attacking the filter as an inadequate response to the problem.

Associated Octel has been busy obtaining media cover-age for the filter which was actually developed in the early 1970s and would probably have been forgotten bad not lead in petrol returned to public debate a few months ago. There is a vested interest

here, since Associated Octel is the sole producer of lead additives for petrol in the United Kingdom and has a substantial export business but certainly not now. My (which are supposed to be available but do not seem to achieve the required deterrent effect).

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Associated Octel admits that the filter would cost about twice as much as a standard silencer — say £36 against £18 — but probably last longer, up to 50,000 miles or five years.

MG revival

In the discussion about whether the Metro is an appropriate car to carry the MG badge, it is easy to forget that some pretty ordinary vehicles have displayed the famous octagon in the past, not least the last saloon to do so, the Austin Morris 1100 range. Even a "true" MG, like the lamented MGB, was no more exciting mechani-cally than the Marina; though as far as I know a Marina owner's club has yet to be

formed. Of course, the MG Metro is 90 per cent a Metro. But having tried it I think enough has been done to justify the label. The black spoiler, which frames the rear window, is a strong visual feature as well as helping to reduce drag from 0.41 to 0.39, the lowest in the class. Inside, a striking red, grey and black colour scheme has

and black colour scheme has been used, even down to the scarlet seat belts. The front seats are the firm, high-backed "sports" variety, with plenty of side support. As befits a performance car, the 1275cc engine has been uprated, through cam-shaft and other changes, from 60 to 72 bhp, and has a higher compression ratio.

With 0 to 60 mph acceleration in under 11 seconds and a top speed of 100 mph, the MG Metro is a brisk performer and apart from an unfortunate boom around 3,000 rmp in top, the engine is reasonably refined. Curiously, since nothing has been done to the suspension

— with bydragas that would have been difficult — the car has a much tauter feel than the standard Metro. The wider wheels and track probably have some influ-

Whatever the reason, this is a car of genuine sporting character and it should find a ready market. At £4,799, it is just a little cheaper than the main competitors, the S and XR2 versions of the Ford

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6.40 Open University: Biology Gam and Function; 7.05 Blological Cofarol; 7.30 The Quantum Wave Equations Open University programmes end at 7.55; Nothing then until 11.00: Pity School: Sarah Garland's story Golag Shopping (also on BBC1 this aftersoon at 3.55); 11.25 Closedown; 1.00 International Snooker/Racing: Second-round live coverage of the Embassy World Snooker (Asacing: Second-round live coverage of the Championship, from Sheffield, More at 6.30, 9.50 and 11.30 tonight; Lingfield Racing at 2.15. We see the 2.30, 3.00, 3.30 (The Essi Bookmakera Oaks Triel Stakes) and

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9.35 For Schools: Reading with Lenny; 9.50 Brougham Castle, Cumbria; 10.09 Money (maths concepts); 10.24 Psychology of Sex; 10.43 Childbirth: home confinement; 11.05 Christianity: Eastern orthodoxy; 11.22Raitway station visit; 11.37 Life in a valley; 11.52 The Bubbiles; 12.00 Songbook: with Kathy Jones, Leo Dove, Hedley Kay (r); 12.10 Once Upon a Time: Wolf and the Seven Little Kids; 12.30 Local Elections Roundup: Analeysis of the results so far, by Alastoir up: Analeysis of the results so far, by Alastai Burnet and Peter Sissons; 1.00 News; 1.20 Thames area news; 1.30 Crown Court: The

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Thames area news; 1.30 Crown Court: The verdict in a case of alleged indecent assault. 2.00 After Noon Plus: Viewers question some of those who have taken part in the week's special programmes devoted exclusively to women; 2.45 Film: The Power Within (1979).TV movie about a man whose personality is literally magnetic. With Art Hindle.

afternoon until 5.10. 5.10 Harmony: Dr Dinah Barshan on the elements of music (r); 5.35 Weekend Outlook: OU 5.40 Stars of the Silent Screen: Tom Mix in The Great K & A

Train Robbery*. Also starring Dorothy Dawn. 6.30 International Snooker: back to the Embassy tournament; 7.102 News: with sub-titles. Something Else: The teenagers' programme. The viewpoint of some lads we have been in trouble with the law. Also: Steel Puise and Clint Eastwood and General Saint.

Gardeners' World: From Barnsdale, East Midlands Planting chrysanthemums for 8.25 Newsweek: The China Card. The Taiwan door through which

Moscow thinks it could pass en route to better relations with Peking. A report from Talwan by Keith Kyle.

4.15 Wetch it: A Sylvester the Cat cartoon; 4.20 Rezzmatazz: pop music show, with Alastair Pirrle and Lyn Spencer.

4.45 Freetime: The youngsters' magazine. A visit to "The Blackie" in Liverpool where young people make cartoon lilms. How to play pool without having to pay. And the final clue in the World Cup competition. 5.15 Film Fun: Derek Griffiths and more Warner 5.45 News from ITN; 6.00 The Six O'Clock

Show: Featuring some of the runners-for-charity in Sunday's London marathon. They include actor Roy Maraden and gymnast Susanne Dando. There is a studio phone-in to aid Leukaemia Research. 7.00 Family Fortunes: Oulz show in which the Bakers from Plymouth take on the Blacks

from Newcastle. 7.30 The Fall Guy: A crocked congressman orders his wife to be killed. With Lee Majors as the Hollywood stuntman.

8.30 The Bounder: Comedy series with Peter Bowles and George Cole as the brothers-in-law. Tonight: a spot of bother over a bank

Radio 4 6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
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8.33 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.

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Anthony Smith.
10.00 News.
10.02 International Assignment.
10,30 Daily Service.
10,45 Morning Story Jacob's Ladder by Marie Barton.
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3.02 Play "The Art Student" by Angela Penrose † 4.00 News. 4.02 Round Pegging, Sheila Holden talks about her work as a

talks about her work as a transportation engineer.
4.10 Locally Speaking (5) Changing with Ago with Ag

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BBC CMYRU/WALES 12.57-1.0pm News of Wales. 1.45-22 Stoncyn Sboncyn. 2.55-3.55 Showfumping. 5.00-5.20 Break in the sun. 5.20-5.40 Stams Stonc. 6.00-6.22 Wales loday. 7.00-7.30 Heddinv. 7.30-8.00 Pobol y Cwm. 10.15-10.45 Showfumping. 10.45-11.30 Music Makers. (Haydn's Symphony No.104 and Trumpel Concerto in E flat) 11.30-11.30 News of Wales. 11.31-1,16am Film: Leo the Last. Socidand 11.0-11.22am. Closedown. 12.55-1.0pm News. 3.25-3.55 Closedown. 6.00-6.22 Reporting Scotland. 10.15-10.45 The Beechgrove Garden. 10.45-10.50

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11.0pm Northern Ireland News. 3.25-3.53 Closedown. 3.53-3.55 News. 8 6.22 Scène around Six. 9.25-10.0 Tellast City Marathon. 10.0-10.45 Spotlight. 10.45-10.50 Northern

ireland News, 1.25am Northern Ireland News. England 6.0-6.22pm Regional news magazine. 10.15-10.45 East —

8.10 Profile. A personal portrait.
8.30 Any Questions?
9.15 Letter from America.
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
9.59 Weathor.
10.00 The World Tonight.
10.35 Week Ending. A satirical view of the week's news †
11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "Chafiapin"

2.20. Religious Education 2.40 Cuentos y Chistes 5.50-5.56 PM (continued) 11.0012.00 Study on 4: 11.00 Swidamye y Moskrye 11.30 Poetry Up To

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6.55 Weamon.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morrang Concert. Respight.
Schumann, Haydn, Nielsen: 8.05 Morrang Concert (continued) Mendelssohn, Bach, Walton (mono); records

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer, Rousset; records.†

10.00 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra. Concert: Grace Walkers, Heddenott, Shostalovich †

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Johngs of Hinge and Bracket, 10,30 Abstair Cooke, A personal view of

11.45 Borodin. String Quartet recital †
12.15 French Music. BBC Scottish
Symphony Orchestra concert.
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Trio recital: Beethoven, Shostakovich.†

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Concert: Haydin, Lennox Berkeley, Mozart.†

4.00 Choral Evensong from St.
Anne's Cathedral, Bellast.†

4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure †

7.00 The Romance and the Rose,
the celebrated medieval poem
in a modern verse translation,
with incidental music (2).†

7.30 Nash Ensemble, Recital of
chamber music and songs:
Arensky, Strawnsky, RimskyKorsakov.†

8.55 Poetry Now, New poetry
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Radio 2 5.00 Ray Moore † 7.30 Terry Wogan 10.00 Harry Carpenter. † 12.00 Gloria Humitord. † 2.00 Ed Stewart † 4.00 David Hamilton. † 5.45 News and Sport 6.00 John Dunn. † 8.00 Take Your Pariners. † 8.45 Friday Night is Music Night † 10.00 The Random Jordons of Humps and Bracket 10.30 popular music. 11.00 Peter Ctayton.† From midnight 1.00 Night Owls † 2.00 Ster Wars.† 2.27-5.00 You and the Night and the Music †

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S.00 As Radio 2 7.00 Three Men in a Boat (5). 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30
Dave Lee Travis. 2.00 Store Wright.
S.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00
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9.00 News: with John Simpson. Also the weatherprospects for the weekend. 9.25 McClain's Law: American-made detective thriller series, with James Arness and Marshall Colt as the two police officer chums. Tonight, Jim McClain discovers a way to predict when a gang of bank robbers will pull off their next operation. Everything goes well for him until someone else decides to take over the planning of

10.15 Militant Tendency: Andy Webb is the reporter in this investigation into the extent and nature, of the activities of the Mandet lendency in the Labour Party of today. 10.50 Amateur Boxing: From Wembley — the George Wimpey ABA Championships.

11.50 Film: John and Mary (1969) Love story, filmed in New York, and starring Dustin Hoffmen and Mia Farrow as the two single people who pick each other up, spend the night together, but discover how little they really know about each other, despite their. physical intimacy. John Mortimer wrote the screenplay. Ends at 1.25 am.

9.00 Playhouse: Passing Through. Rhys Adrian's play stars lan Richardson, Rosalie Crutchley and Lee Montague (see

9.50 International Snooker: baci: lo the Embassy tournament. 10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 Interna tional Snooker: final



lan Richardson: (88C 2, 9.00)

9.00 We'll Meet Again: Another instalment of David Butler's drama series about American airmen stationed in an English village during the Second World War. There is mounting anxiety over the condition of Major Jim Kiley (Michael J Shannon) who has been wounded. He is missed at the ar base even more now because so many new men (and aircraft) have been lost on one

10.00 News from ITN. And a special report on the

10.45 Benson: Accused of favouritism, Benson (Robert Guillaume) offers to resign. 11.15 The London Programme: Election Special (part 2). An assessment of the results of the London borough elections which took place 11.50 Dolly: Country and western show.

12.05 Rawhide: Old western with Clint Eastwood.
Tonight a celebration — and a murder.

1.20 Close: A reading from Humphrey Lyttelton,

Weekend Miglands — Straight Talk. North — One Plus One. North East — As Others See Us. North West — Home Ground. South — Captain of the OE2, South West — Rippon at the Royal, West — Public Life. of the art college apart, everything and everybody conspires to nip in

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As London except: 1.20pm-1.30
News. 2.45-4.15 Film: The Oracle.
(Robert Beatty) Reporter discovers an oracle who can predet the future—quite an asset in the newspaper business. 10.45 Bizarre. 11.15
Members Only. 11.45 Film: Death of Richie. American youth is introduced to drugs. 1.15am Dear Diary.

As London except 11.50em-12.00 Captain Nemo. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4,15 Film: Mail Helm (Tony Franciosa) actress hires Matt Helm to Indicional actions must remain and them an she believes murdered her father, 5.15-5.45 Sale of the Century, 6.00 Coast to Coast, 6.30-7.00 Friday Sportshow, 10.45 Getter it On: Brighton Festival, 11.15 Fish, Scoumorie (Claudia Cardinale).

Marseilles is framed and sentenced to 12 years hard labour, 12.50-1.05am Company tollowed by Closedown. TYNE TEES As London except: Starts 9.25am Good Word. 9.30-9.35 News 1.20p 1.30 News Lookaround. 2.454-13; Film: Ghost Train* (Arthur Askey, Richard Murdoch) Comady-thriller Richard Murdocal Comady-Imper-about passengers stranded for the night at a haunted station. 8.00 News 8.02 Sportstime. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life 10.45 News. 10.47 Friday Live. 2.2 Sees Supported Bendley Live.

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12.15em Supersiar Profile; David Niven. 12.45 Poet's Corner. 12.55 Closedown.

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(Kathy Durm), Diplomata' daughters in
danger, 6.00-7.00 North Tonight,
10.45 Film: Doctor Jekyff and Sester
Hyde (Raiph Bates, Martine Beswick).
The next doctor chances by accident The nasty doctor changes by accident. 12.30 am News. 12.35 Closedown,

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As London except: 11.52am-12.00 Wattoo Wattoo: 1.20pm Granada Reports, 1.30 Exchange Flags 2.00 About Britain 2.30-4.15 Film: House of Seven Gables. Nathaniel Hawthorne's story of a New England family tearing fiseli to pieces 5.00 Kick Oh. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports, 10.45 Yesterday's Dust, Tomorrow's Dreams, 11.30 Film: Frenzy, Hitchcock's thriftes about an innocent

HTV As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4.15 Film: Genevieve (John Gregson, Dinah Sheridan) London to Brighton veteran cars' run is the satting for this 1954 British comedy. 6.00 News. 6.30-7.00 So What's your Problem? 10.43 News. 10.45 Flowers Dartsathlon 1982. 11.15 Film: Fear is the Key (Barry Newman: Suzy Kendelli Man rice to Vewman, Suzy Kendall) Man tries to track down those responsible

10.30-11.00 Outlook.

As London except: 11.55am-12.00 Look and See. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4-15 Film: Girl on the Late, Late 2.45-415 l'init (air chi min Lair), Las Show. (Don Murray) TV producer goes lo Hollywood to find an actress but vicence strikes. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 What's Ahead. 7.30-8.30 Hart to Hart, 10,50 Housecalls, 11,20 Film

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CENTRAL As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-4,15 Film: Green Grow the Rushes" (Richard Burton, Honor Blackman). Two civil servants descend

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Ann Ladbury: Weekend Wardrobe (BBC1, 2.30)

9.00pm), Rhys'Adrian's play about CHOICE an encounter between two men in a railwayside-pub, is not a readily accessible work. Just when you think you have hit on the code

will miss because they will be caught up in the homeward rush, gives the lucky few a chance to assess Tom Mix's right to the title breaker (of course! it's about the relativity of sanity), you find you are changing your mind (of course! it's King of the Cowtoys which the slogan-coiners of the day (1928) fixed to his films while lowering the crown on his head. He was a about the relativity of identity). And there is yet another interpretation (of coursel it's that old reliable standby - the Pavlovian response daredevil actor, all right, fleet of foot and pure of heart and, in startling versus the freewheeling spirit). There is a fourth possibility in the contrast to the louring William S. Hart, from whom he inherited the play's closing moments. And that, I'm straid, is where you are on you own, though, if you need help, there is always the title which as if he was constantly saddle-sore. shrewd journalist in Mr Cooke

there is always the title which offers a clue.

THE ART STUDENT (Radio 4, music devotee (the year dealt with tonight is 1924-25); and Julian (BBC 2, 5.40pm), the latest offering in the splendid Stars of the Silent Screen series which, alas, so many an African state, in which, the head or concerto with the BBC Scottish Orchestra on Radio 3 at 12, 14pm.

the bud the exceptional promise shown by a girl student who has had a disastrous start in life. What the play seems to be saying is that much soul-searching needs to be done before a developing country assets the cell itself at developing country assets the cell itself at developing country. can truly call itself a developed one.
Sadly, the message is weakened by
some theatrical dialogue and a
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Interned Poles try to air problems

From Roger Boyes Warsaw, May 6

A group of Polish internces in one of the country' worst camps has appealed to senior Government officials to permit a visit of independent observers and foreign correspondents so that the inmates can air their com-plaints about serious abuses of human rights.

In a document smuggled to the Catholic Church, a copy of which has been made available to The Times, the internees complain that guards have been withholding telegrams about the illness of close relatives, in some instance waiting until after the funeral before passing on information.

According to the docu-ment, signed by inmates of the Gebarzewie camp and addressed to the Polish Council of State, guards have been beating up and intimidating inmates, proper medi-cal care is being denied and the food has been so had that stomach and heart ailments have been seriously aggri-

vated.
Although supervisory judges and Red Cross teams have visited the camp — which is in the Poznan region — no improvement has been registered. According to the document, one of the judges told internees that he could not help them because to do so would be to risk internment himself.
Living in such conditions.

the signatories of the present their are convinced that their freedom, health and lives are not so much dependent on the evolution of martial law, but rather on the whims of the Security

Serious structural faults Some of the kitchen equip-which have appeared in ment had not been good Wynott Prison, near Preston, enough and replacements had Lancashire, one of Britain's to be installed. Extra lava-newest jails, have "alarmed" tories for staff, ventilation in service, (SB)

"Police officers and security officials guilty of beating and other abuse of the law should be removed from their posts", the document urges. slander officers of the Secur-"substantial" structural on the sports hall could cracks in the floor and hall of the sports hall. The sports field is inefficiently drained; it was located on a peat bog, the Prison Department says. Floors have been inadequately sealed in ablution areas. There have been hursts in a water main. Bricks in the facade of parts of the prison opened in 1979 and all ity Service and prison service, for we know that some are cultured individuals, but we want to drew your attention to illegal acts committed by ufficials winse

of the standing regulations". h is not known how many people are interned in the camp, one Church estimate talks simply of several dozen, but organizers of assistance for internees claim that conditions there are almost certainly the worst in the



a princess chose not to wear

Headgear

Princess Margaret donned overalls yesterday when she visited a medical company's new factory, but failed to wear the hairnet provided while inspecting a sterile area. Tests were carried out at Becton-Dickenson's factory at Plymouth. Devon, to discover if the sterility of a blood store area had been breached as a reşult.

Later, the company said that the plant had not been contaminated and the several thousand blood samples stored in the area were not affected.

company's managing director said: "It was a personal preference on her part that she did not wear the hairnet. I would not say it was vanity. She just ignored our request to wear it." He said that the amount of damage that might have been cased would be virtually none" if someone who has not wearing a complete sterile outfit was inthe area for five to 10 minutes An employee said later: Princess Margaret refused to wear the net because it would untidy



No assurance on 'escalation'

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Mrs Thatcher indicated that she was more favourably inclined to the second set of proposals that was being pursued by the United States through Peru. The government had made "a very constructive response" to these and hoped to hear more about them later in the day. It was not known whether the Argentines would respond in the same way.

With Labour leaders keeping up the pressure on the government not to take any action that might endanger the chances of a peaceful settlement, Mr Foot asked her to give the assurance that the whole country would wish to see, that there would be no deliberate escalation of military action which could injure the prospects of a

government.
Mrs Thatcher firmly svoid-

Mrs Thatcher firmly avoided giving any assurances about further escalation of military activity. Mr Thomas Cox, Labour MP for Wandsworth, Tooting, claimed that the growing view of the British people was that there should no further escalation and he urged the Prime Minister to repudiate those Conservative MPs, retired admirals and generals who were saying that if need be, attacks must take place against the Argentine mainland, Mrs Thatcher said that

peaceful solution. He welcomed the tone in which she spoke of her response to the Secretary-General's suggestion and accepted that there could be great ambiguity in the reply from the Argentine government.

while negotiations were taking place. Hilliary activities must continue and it would be too easy to say that these should stop during negotiations. That would hamstring the task force and our neople on the islands would be too easy to say that these should stop during nego-tiations. That would ham-string the task force and our people on the islands would remain under the heel of the invader while the Argentine increased supplies and re-serves so as to attack us at

> Council bans fox heating

South Glanorgan County Council has voted, by 43 votes to 33, to ban for hunting on its 70 farms. Of against the Argentine mainland. Mrs Thatcher said that
it was the Argentines who
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linding of the councils 3,000 acres of farmland, 400 acres are used by the Glamorgan Hunt.

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A constructive silence from Mr Heath

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Mementarily stilled by the fate of HMS Sheffield, the domestic politics of the Falklands crisis resumed

yesterday. But who is in favour of what? In the case of most Members, it is impossible to say. They do not know themseives. A innerity of Conservative backbenchers favour thrustic military action. So do a minority of the backbanks of the same of the sa Labour hackbenchers, provided tat military action is disastrous. For them, the overriding war aim has always been in the destrucalways been in the destruc-tion of Mrs Thatcher. Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, reposes new hope in the United Nations, the United States, and various Feruvians, or at least he did on Wednesday, By yestorday, his leader was at the dispatch box displaying a characteristically more realistic world view. Mr Foot, the Leader of the Opposition, claimed: "There appears to be a real chance of a move towards a sensible censefire." Not just any ceasefire, it seemed, but a sensible one. Who were these rensible Argentines of Mr Foot's acquaintance. Did their definition of a sensible ceasefire include ance. Did their detinition of a sensible coasefire include retestion of the falkland Islands? That was surely the only sort of ceasefire that would make sense to them. Why also should the them. Why else should they agree to one? But Mr Foot has always been a man for the broad sweep rather than mere detail.

Mr Tony Benn? He sits
two benches above his from
bench, Occasionally he is
visited by Mr Dennis Skinner, presumably his diplomatic adviser. Unlike Mr
Foot, Mr Benn has been
consistent from the start.
He is against the venture. He is against the venture. He wants the task force back For he always knows back. For he always knows what the ordinary British Trotskyist is thinking out there in the polyechnics and, once he has found out, he says the same. It takes no courage to say it to a mob of social workers at one of Mr Bean's weekend rollies, but it does require a certain amount of courage to say it in the Commons. In to say it in the Commons. In the past, haired for Mr Bend in the Bluse has been largely confined to his own party. But now it has spread party, but now it has spread to the Tories, Testerday he asked Mr.Biften, the Leader of the Housepto Irrange a further defeate on the Ful-ktands next week. "If the United Nations is to take over the Fulklinds after our

men have died, why can we not debate this now before more men are killed, "was how Mr Bena put it. Whereupon, Mr Peyton, a master of insult who with his rather florid face and straight hair resembles on of those toffs or late-night revellers in old Punch carroons, asked Mr Biffen to agree that: "It seems the Right hon Member for Bristol South East tMr Benn), running short on malice, is calling up dottinienss to reinforce it." Me Biffen gracefully replied that, with Mr Feyton on hand to make such observations, "no words from me are necessary.

Then there is Mr Edward Heath. What does he think of it all? What policy would he pursue? From his seat on the front bench below the gangway — Churchill's serut in the wilderness years, the place from which British statesmen in exile have traditionally advised and warned their country-men:— Mr Heath has, with matchless eloquence, said 'nothing. He sits there through Prime Minister's questions time; as Mr Pyn statements that bring news good and bad. And not only is be stient; he is motion-less. For all one knows, he stays there overnight. We do hope he is well. None the less. Lir Heath's contribution to the crisis has, on tite whole, been more con-structive than Mr Foot's. The shadow Foreign Sec-

retary, Mr Healey, being a former Secretary for Defence, seems to be equipped with the most advanced radar enabling him to pick up even more opportunities for sensible negotiations than Mr Foot. Something only has to stir as far away as Peru, and Mr Healey is

on to it.

Mr Ennch Powell? He turks on a far backbench on the Opposition side of the Chamber. When Mr Pym taiks about exploring some avenue at the UN, or implies that British sovermplies that british and relative of the islands is negotiable. Mr Powell often gives out a soundless laugh — throwing back his head, and threating his thumbs his walestout puckets. into his waistcoat pockets hir Powell's entire theory of contemporary Britain i that it is a country governed by politicians without will, and in such well-meaning figures as Mr Pym there is joyous confir-

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Today's events

Royal engagements

Princess Anne opens new Conference and Office Centre for vouth and voluntary organiza-tions of Buckinghamshire, Green Park Youth and Community Training Centre, Ashton Clinton, 2; opens Bourne End Junior Sparts and Recreational Clubs new Sports Hall, 3 15; attends Livery Dinner of the Worshipful Company of Farriers, Mansion House, London, 7.25. Princess Margaret launches

Olan-Line's new car ferry Olan Britannia, Sheerness, 11.40.

1 Jack the mackerel catcher (5).

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New exhibitions

from today until May 22). Exhibitions in progress

Royal wedding dress and gifts, Birningham Museum and Art Gallery, Chumberlain Square, Birmingham; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5.30; (until May 23).

Print Biennale, Cartwright Hall, Lister Perk, Bradford; Tues to Sun 10 to 6; tuntil July 4). Edinburgh Brass Rubbing Featival, Canongate Tolbooth,

5 Upset when measured for top team award? (8).

6 These novel diamonds may be

7 Very active in one quarter

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18 Last in race, and second last

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163 Canongate, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5; (until May 29). Murket Gallery, 29 Market Street. I danburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 Museum and Art Gallery, Le Mans Crescent, Bolton, Lanca-shire; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat Screenprint 10 to 5, closed Wed and Sun; (until May 15). Venice and the Veneto: paint-

Alarm at prison faults

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

the Prison Inspectorate. workshops and secure sto-its report into the £10.6m rage for tools have had to be

prison, which was opened in provided. 1979, says that there as The report says the faults "substantial" structural on the sports hall could

have slipped.

The opening of the prison opened in 1979 and all prison opened in 1979 and all are well reported. Neverthewas delayed for two years by less many remained to be serious design faults in the remedied."

Iterating and leaks in gas HM Prison Wymott. Report by supply pipes to the kitchen.

HM Chief Inspector of Prisons

ings by Andre Bicut and carved and pierced porcelain, Bohun Gallery, 13 Station Road, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.3h, closed Wed and Sun; junuil May 20). Seventh British International

Last chance to see Paintings, drawings and prints by Knighton Hosking, Faculty of Art and Design Galleries, Wolver-hampton, Polytechnic; 9.30 to 6;

(ends today).
Purchasing the Past: historic The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15.825 documents and estate maps, Bentliffe Gallery, Maidstone Museum; 10 to 5; (ends today).

> Piano recital by Martin Dyke, Holburne Museum, Gt Pulteney Street, Bath, 7.45. Concert by young musicians from Somerset and Avon schools, Wells Cathedral, 1.10. Concert, Northern Sinfonia of England with the Sinfonia Chorus, conducted by Ivan Fischer, City Hall, Newcastle,

Sporting fixtures

Cricket: Full county champion-ship programme (11.0) page 19. Football: Fourth division, Col-chester v Stockport, York v Halifax (7,30). Racing: Flat meeting at Ling-field Park (2.0); NH at Newton Abbot (2.15), Sedgefield (2.45) and Stratford (6.0). Snooker: World champion-

Snooker: World champion-ships, at Sheffield (11.0, 3.15, 7.30). Golf: WPGA tournament, at Woburn.

Boxing: ABA finals, at Wembley Arena (7.30).

Anniversaries

Births: David Hume, Edin-burgh, 1711; Robert Browning, London, 1812: Johannes Brahms, London, 1812: Johannes Brahms, Hamburg, 1833; Pyotr Tchaikov-sky, Kamsko-Votkinsk, 1840; Marshal Tito, (Jusip Broz) Kumrovec, Yuguslavia, 1892, Deaths: Thomas Barnes, Editor of The Times, 1817-1841, London, 1841: James Nasmytis, inventor of 1841; James Nasmyth, inventor of the steamhammer, London, 1890. The Lusitania was sunk by a German submarine off the frish coast, 1915.

Asian plays

Capital Radio is sponsoring a competition for plays by or about Asians in Britain in conjunction with the National Association for Asian Youth. Plays should be written in English, and not more than 45 minutes in length. There than 45 minutes in length. There a £600 first prize for the winning writer over 18 (second prize 5400) and prizes of 5300 and £200 for writers under 18. Entries to: Capital's drama department, Duke of York's Theatre, St Martin's Lane, London WC2; (closing date July

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New books - non-fiction

This is a personal selection of interesting, important or notable non-fiction just published, arranged in alphabetical order rather than in order of merit or Camus, a Critical Study, by Patrick McCarthy (Hamish Hamilton, £12.50) Invisite the Middle East, by Dilip Hire (Routledge & Kegan Paul, £12.50) Invisible Women, by Dale Spender (Writers & Readers, £2.95) Naiser Wilhelm II, New Interpretation, edited by John C G Rohl and Nicolaus Sombart (Cambridge, £19.50)

Nicolaus Sombart (Cambridga, £19.50)
Lord Reading, Rufus Isaacs, by Denis Judd (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £15)
Shadows on the Grass, by Simon Raven (Blond & Briggs, £7.95)
Sir James Goldsmith, by Geoffrey Wansell (Fontana, £1.95)
The Galleys at Lepanto, by Jack Beeching (Hutchinson, £10.95)
The Letters of D H Lawrence, Vol R, June 1913-October 1916, edited by George J Zytaruk and James T Boulton (Cambridge, £20)
The Voice of Experience, by R D Laing (Allen Lane, £7.50)
Waste Away, by Lesie Chapman (Chatto & Windus, £7.95)
Wiltches, by Erica Jong (Granada, £12.50)

Roads

London and South-east: M3
Lane closures between junctions
3 (Bagshot/ Bracknell) and 4
(Frimley); delays also A30 at
Bagshot. A307: Roadworks on
George Street, Richmond,
between Sheen Road and Hill
Street. A205: Roadworks on
South Circular Road at junction
of Norwood Road, beside Tulse

of Norwood Road, beside Tulse Hill station. Midlands: M1: Roadworks petween junctions 14 (Newport Pagnell) and 18 (A428, Rugby). A5: Single line traffic N of Nuneaton, Warwickshire. A625: losed at Mam Tor, Derbyshire

North: A192: Roadworks along Newgate Street, Morpeth, Nor-thumberland, A693: Roadworks at High Handenhold, Co Durham. at righ Hamenhold, Co Durani.
AljA5136; Lane closures on
Catterick by-pass,N Yorkshire.
Wales and West: ASS: Road-works between Chester and
Eweloe. M4/M5: Roadworks at Almondsbury interchange, near severn Bridge. A358: Roadworks

Severn Bridge, A358; Roadworks
E of Taunton.
Scotland: M8 Lane closures
near junction 5 M90; Single lane
trafic northbound at junction 3
(Cowdenbeath); lane closures
both ways at junction 2 (A823,
Dunfermline). M9: Lane closures
at Craigforth (junction 10).

Parliament today

Commons (9.30): Private Mem bers' Bills: Cinematograph Bill, third reading; Firearms Bill, report: Gaming (Amendment) Bill, report.

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The papers

The chance of peace in the South Atlantic is better than at any time since the invasion, says the Daily Mirror, but if peace is to come it must come quickly.

The job of removing Argentina from the Falklands remains unchanged says the Daily Mail, but "the task force is much more vulnerable than we thought".

"A ceasefire without Argentine withdrawal is a nonsense", says the Daily Express, "and must lead to our defeat".

Die Welt fears that Britain and Argentina are "bombing each other further away from the negotiating table", while the conservative Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeiting stresses that all mediation must "primarily as-sure an honourable outcome" for Britain as the side that was attacked. The more left-wing Frankfurter Rundschau, however, says Mrs Thatcher should have been more patient, and asks whether her response has been "worthy of support".

Le Monde fears the Falklands conflict may overflow into the Antarctic at forthcoming talks on fishing and mineral rights in the area, when there is unlikely to be a "serene spirit between Britain and Argentina at the conference table."

Top ten films

1 Private Lessons Chariots of Fire/Gregory's Girl The Border Quest for Fire On Golden Pond Evil Under the Sun Reds The Boat 9 Butterfly 10 Sharky's Machine

The top five in the provinces 1 Chariot's of Fire/Gregory's
2 The Boogens/The Evictors
3 Death Wish II
4 Quest for Fire Chariot's of Fire/Gregory's Girl 5 Kentucky Fried Movie Compiled by Screen International.

Task force advice

Letters for servicemen on Falklands task force ships should be sent to BFPO Ships, giving name, rank, number and ship. The Ministry of Defence issued the following numbers for relatives to call for casualty information: Rosyth: 0383 412191; Paslane: 0436 71125; Plymouth: 0752 666666; Portland: 0305 821547; Portsmouth: 0705 755212; Chatham: 0634 812771. London: The FT index closed up 1.5 at 567.9.

Weather forecast

Pressure will be uniform over much of the country, with a trough of low pressure edging over western districts.

6 am to midnight

London; E. Central S, Central N England. Midlands. Channel Islands: Mostly dry, sumny periods after clearance of mist and log; wind variable. Both; max temp 11 to 13C (52 to 55). (52 to 55F). SE England, E Anglia: Cloudy at

first with some mist and fog patches, sunny latervals developing with scattered showers; wind W to NV, light; mail temp 10 to 12C (50 to 54F). W Midlands, NW England, Lake District: Dry, sunny periods after clearance of mist and tog, clouder

later, wind variable, light; max lemp 11 to 13C (52 to 55F).

SW England, Wales: Rather cloudy, with light rain or drizzle, sunny intervals in E; wind SW, light; max temp 11 to 13C (52 to 55F). late of Man, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N treland: Rather cloudy with outbreaks of rain or drizzle; wind S to SE, light or moderate; max temp 8 to 10C (46 to

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central High-lands, Moray Firth: Dry, sunner periods, cloudier later, wind variable, light; max temp 8 to 10C (46 to 50F).
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Dry, sunny periods, wind SE, fight or moderate; max temp 6 to 8C (43 to Outlook for the weekend:

secoming milder, rain in places. SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind N to NW light or moderate, sea slight. Straights of Dover, English. Channel (E): Wind W or NW light or Channel: Wind SW veering W, moderate, sea slight. St George's Channel: Wind SW veering W, moderate, sea slight. Irish Sea: Wind S, moderate or fresh, veering W, sea slight or moderate.

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